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[Music] live from madison square garden in new york city nbc news reports the 1980 democratic national convention [Music] so [Music] now reporting from the nbc news convention center in madison square garden here are john chancellor and david brinkley good afternoon from the democratic convention where they have spent an afternoon in happy blissful contention about the platform lovely arguments they've enjoyed them all at the moment they're arguing about a plan a plank to charter the oil companies somewhat in a manner of public utilities required to give complete details to government agencies about their prices profits finances stocks everything they're arguing that now the result we will have sooner or later john there were about 11 um proposals to amend the platform as already agreed on before the convention today uh four of them are important senator kennedy lost two this afternoon he wanted to plank calling for repeal of a five billion dollar oil subsidy that goes to the oil companies that was defeated on a roll call vote senator kennedy wanted a plank saying that opposing federal gas taxes or import fees on gas to be used artificially to raise prices that was defeated by a voice vote there was a

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was a compromise that uh president carter offered for more solar energy to be proposed by the platform that was approved by a voice vote and also approved by a voice vote was a senator kennedy proposal that there be a moratorium on oil companies buying coal companies and solar companies that's where we stand now there was a delay here the we are not absolutely certain why there was a one-hour delay there have been reports that the floor passes for the whips for the carter and kennedy forces were delayed there's some confusion about that now it may be that the wits whips didn't arrive we're not sure and we'll sort it out later david with or without credentials coming up later will be another minority plank dealing with the mx missile the basic platform calls for deploying it as they say some states in the west and others for other reasons are opposed to it states in the west don't want it because they're afraid it'll mean half their farmland will be plowed up for trenches to put these things in the carter side has decided it will make a hard solid fight about this we'll try to preserve the mx plank we're going to hear some reports now from the floor about this beginning with judy woodruff judy we're standing outside the carter command post the carter trailer area where there's a little bit of a commotion right now because some of the delegates who oppose the mx particularly delegates from the western part of the united states have gathered they've been holding up signs and talking to reporters about about their opposition just a few minutes ago the president's press secretary jody powell released a copy to the press of a letter that the president has sent to all three thousand delegates asking them to vote against this minority report the proposal as david just said opposes the development of the mx missile in the letter the president says and i'm quoting our strategic nuclear forces must not be vulnerable to a preemptive soviet attack

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vulnerable to a preemptive soviet attack and the mx missile system is our optimum means of meeting these vital goals carter operatives tell me the operatives who've been working the floor tell me they believe now that they have the votes necessary to defeat the minority report one just told me that he expected the votes to split pretty much along the lines of the carter and kennedy delegates here on the floor in other words a healthy margin part of the reason for their confidence is that they have a large segment of the labor delegates behind them on this showing them a lot of support the carter aides are seeking a great deal of publicity on this issue because they say they don't want to give the republicans they don't want to give ronald reagan an excuse to say that the president is soft on defense and now for some reaction from the floor here's garrick utley in the oregon delegation with paul warnke here former director of the arms control and disarmament agency and joe smith a delegate from oregon who has sponsored the minority uh report which as we voted on in just a few minutes here mr warnke first of all the carter letter in which the president addresses or calls himself the commander-in-chief he's appealing to the delegates as the commander-in-chief what do you think of this letter and the president's position well i disagree with the president's position of course he is entitled as commander-in-chief to make a recommendation with regard to a missile system in this case i think that the recommendation is wrong and obviously of course uh it's not a unilateral decision that any president can make by himself it requires the congress of the united states to go along with it that's why i think this democratic convention ought to express its will do you think dmx is not necessary for americans i think the uh the mx is an unworkable and inaudibly expensive way of dealing with a totally implausible threat and that's what you'll be telling this convention that's exactly what i'll be telling this convention joe smith from oregon you're the one who proposed this resolution to the convention this minority report do you have the votes to win here we just heard a minute ago from our white house correspondent that the carter operatives think they can defeat

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think they can defeat report they of course are pulling out every stop they possibly can i don't know within living memory when the president of the united states has been so concerned about a plank in the platform that he felt he should send the letter to all of the delegates that's going to have an impact from the beginning i have known that the most important thing we must do is get the american people to start paying attention two years ago when i started this i would ask people what do you think about the mx missile the nuclear arms race and the answer always was well i don't know much about it i don't think about it three months ago meeting with platform committee members again they would say i haven't thought much about it we've got to get the american people thinking about it and today we are but do you think you can get 3331 democratic delegates here in new york suddenly something to understand the intricacies of a very complex subject i think that there is enough that can be understood completely by the lay person but really any comment that demonstrates the trap into which we have fallen we have allowed ourselves to be convinced by people who are experts that only they can decide and once you do that you do things like building magical lines that was the argument that was made in france in the 30s we can't do it now if your report fails is defeated here there is a report also submitted formally by the kennedy camp which is very similar to yours calling for further study before any deployment of the mx missile has made at least buy us some time before we went ahead if mine fails and they go ahead with number 23 i will support number 23. thank you very much joe smith and paul warnke both criticizing the president's position on the mx missile they'll be speaking in support of their minority resolution to have the mx delayed or at least cancel as a means of american defense eric cutley and the oregon delegation now over to chris wallace energy secretary charles duncan used to be the number two man in the defense department and he's been lobbying here on the convention floor for the mx do you have the votes

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floor for the mx do you have the votes to win the administration possession i think we do i think most of the delegates here realize that we've got to have a survivable land-based missile that we can't get ourselves in the position of being vulnerable to a pre-emptive strike from the soviet union that contributes to peace that contributes that contributes to stability and this is what we have got to have this rounds out our triad we

cannot get ourselves in the position of being subjected to up to coercion from the soviet union how damaging would it be if you lost this vote if you lost on the mx i think it would be very damaging because we should be able to go out with the endorsement of the democratic party to move ahead with the mx missile the mx dmx is essential to our national security it's essential to the survivability of our strategic forces and it's just very important that we have that support of this convention will the president feel bound if he loses on this will he stop developing no i couldn't anticipate the president he'll have to react to that himself but we know that yesterday treasury secretary miller told us that he wouldn't be bound on the economic programs that the president will decide his own well i wouldn't anticipate the president on that he'll have to make those decisions charles duncan thanks very much now to tom pettitt with ray romer and rich gephardt in colorado one kennedy one carter rich there is some sentiment in colorado itself against the mx right yes i think that's right i think a lot of it on the environmental impact down in nevada you know is where the main impact is but we feel uh a sisterhood i suppose on an issue like that along with uh some question as to whether all the alternatives have been explored especially from the kennedy view well how will his delegation vote on the minority report to in effect obstruct the use of the mx well there are our general position i think will be to support the minority report which says to avoid the acceleration of

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which says to avoid the acceleration of the program and to continue to look for alternatives so i think the kennedy vote will be pretty strong on that and i think most of the uncommitteds will vote that way not because of a desire to you know okay ray rommer slippage in the carter camp oh i think we'll have one or two slip uh it's a tough issue but hey the overriding question is you know i'm for and and i think most of us in the counter delegation are for some kind of balanced mutual uh arms control agreement and mx is the only way we know how to get there the president has said that the most uh the best military minds america who said that therefore we want to support that well we'll hear a lot about it in this hall later on won't we john things are moving fairly quickly on this issue you just saw mr gebhardt in the colorado delegation who is a supporter of senator kennedy senator kennedy had uh proposed minority report number 23 we're back to numbers again which called for a delay or alternatives to the mx the kennedy people have now withdrawn their minority report we are told which leaves this convention and this president facing only one minority report joe smith's report number 20 which asked that the platform be changed to oppose the mx missile very simple and in addition to a cabinet secretary we just saw on the floor of the convention politicking here's the letter i don't know if you can read it at that distance but this is a copy of the letter that the president is sending a handwritten letter to all of the delegates reproduced there begins as commander in chief and it talks about the mx missile being the optimum means of defense against surprise attack against the united states lots of politics here on a defense issue and for more on the mx itself here's our diplomatic correspondent marvin kell john what is quite clear is that presidential letter demonstrates very high level concern and it's high level concern for two reasons

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concern for two reasons first the administration genuinely believes that over the past 10 years the soviet union has been catching up and in many areas of nuclear weaponry surpassing the united states and that the united states simply must do something to redress this balance imbalance the second reason is pure politics last month the republicans made a big thing of the democratic party engaging in what might be called unilateral disarmament the president does not want to be in a position of running this year on the basis of a platform that takes away the one major weapon system that he feels that the united states has to have back to you john thank you david it's your turn i believe we'll be back in a moment [Music] we have had reports of about the cause of the delay in this afternoon session one uh was that the passes printed or rather engraved passes floor passes for the whips were not delivered there are other stories i don't know which one is right jessica savage is on the podium jessica can you tell us david we're checking right now as to exactly what has happened we originally got a report that minority report 23 had been withdrawn now apparently they're saying minority report 23 has not been withdrawn they're going back and checking it out one more time i got a report that secretary brown will be speaking for secretary brown will speak against 20. that's the latest word

we have on that i have some updates as to where we are in the convention so far and what has gone on in so far as minority reports minority report 13 which was the repeal of 5.2 billion in oil subsidies that happened this afternoon that was by telephone roll call that lost minority report number 14 rejecting the use of federal gasoline taxes and oil import fees or any other means of artificially increasing the price of gasoline that

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increasing the price of gasoline that was proposed by the kennedy forces by voice vote that went down minority report number 15 which was re-control of oil prices kennedy withdrew that as announced august the 6th 16 increased solar energy commitment was a compromise by president carter announced august 10 that passed minority report number 17 a moratorium on acquisition of competing coal companies and solar energy companies and major oil companies proposed by kennedy that one passed minority report 18 on nuclear waste sites passed by a voice vote they're on minority report 19 at this time and we'll keep you apprised as to what happens on that one john chancellor one of the other stories of the day here in new york city is will jimmy carter get together with ted kennedy when the president arrived here this morning he said disclose that he had called senator kennedy after that memorable speech last night and told the senator it was one of the greatest speeches he had ever heard the president said he intends to see the senator here in new york but we don't know when and we don't know where and the latest we have is that the senator has not directly been contacted by the president or his men although there have been contacts among the staffs john palmer is covering the white house here in new york and he has some more on this john john at this hour president carter is just across the street here on 7th avenue in his suite at the sheraton center hotel his aides say that he's putting the finishing touches on the acceptance speech he plans to deliver tomorrow night to the delegates at madison square garden and no doubt for the last few minutes he's been watching television to see this situation with the platform fight on the floor of the convention during the past several days as you have mentioned john there's been considerable discussion as to whether or not president carter and senator kennedy will meet before the president addresses the convention tomorrow night well this morning shortly after the president arrived here in new york city

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york city i asked him about that possibility [Music] mr president are you going to see senator kennedy today or tomorrow uh we talked last night about getting together but we haven't set a time yet but you definitely will sir that's my plan yes how was your reception today here good good on several occasions today we have had reports that aids to the president and aides of senator kennedy have gotten together at one place or another to discuss logistics of just such a meeting but as of this hour we do not know for sure where that meeting is going to be held but we take the president certainly at his word saying that he does intend to meet with senator kennedy and that meeting very much likely to occur perhaps tomorrow afternoon but well before the president addresses the convention tomorrow night giving his acceptance speech so while there is assurance that that will happen and there is very much assurance on the part of the carter people that senator kennedy will indeed come to the platform tomorrow night and share that platform with president carter there is growing doubt or at least remaining doubt here that senator kennedy will campaign in a very hard and a very vigorous way for the president throughout the fall campaign at least that issue is very much in doubt at this particular point let's switch now to jim cummins over at kennedy headquarters jim john i'm in the underground garage for the waldorf astoria hotel next to the kennedy motorcade we're told the senator shortly will be leaving to go play some tennis but as far as the senator is concerned the ball is in jimmy carter's court on the question of an endorsement from the senator what we have been told today the senator said first he has not talked with the president today as of an hour ago kennedy aides says that the senator has not even been asked to meet with the president but kennedy's top political strategist paul kirk has been meeting throughout the day with presidential assistant

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the day with presidential assistant hamilton jordan they are talking about ways to unify the party and to get the senator up on the podium with the president thursday night kennedy's top administrative aide told us just i would say it was probably 25 minutes ago rick burke he says that if the president refuses to endorse the kennedy plank on the 12 billion dollar jobs program it will quote make it difficult for the senator to join the president on the podium burke went on to say if mr carter accepts the platform as it is now written all democrats will probably march together in the fall campaign as for the senator himself he has left this hotel only once today and that was to go out for lunch with his wife joan at a nearby restaurant the only thing he is saying publicly about all of this other than the fact that he has not talked to the president is that he likes the platform that the democratic party is building he thinks it's a good platform he said it's the kind of platform that any candidate can run on and win david thank you there'll be a great deal of talk of unity factor already is unity as defined in this context means that kennedy joins the carter army and helps to helps the democrats tries to help the democrats to win in november we're going to get some reports from the floor now on how much of this unity actually exists and what form it might take beginning with tom brokaw tom david i'm in the illinois delegation with merle frankie one of the three chairs here a carter delegate and someone who is more than a carter delegate he's a member of the family chip carter who's been you're over here working the delegation on the mx issue today yes and thanking the delegation has worked for us on every single issue so i was kind of thinking work at mx mostly right now have you started any missionary work among the kennedy delegates yet trying to get them to come over to your father i have shaken hands about half the county delegates on the floor today the senator on the speech last night and tell me that we have to have them to win and uh they've gotten good response today i think it really has cooled off so much of the speech last night what do they ask of you in return

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they ask of you in return well they want us to support them on some of the platform issues and whatever they want to make us to make a commitment they're going to run hard and run everywhere that we want darling lions will make the list of our supporters i think we're willing to give those commitments so there's a fair amount of personal bitterness during the curse of this campaign a couple of times do you think that that will go away i certainly think it will i think governor reagan is the most unifying factor the democratic party has ever seen the stark contrast between dead and governor regular certainly be able to unify the party and i think the senate speech went a long way toward doing that last night also as you sat there and watched that speech last night were you grateful that he didn't make it much earlier in the campaign yes sir i'm very much you know i was very very surprised and pleased that his delivery and the reaction was great we're going to try to help demonstrate them tonight but it's going to be very very difficult to do all right merle frankie you've clobbered the kennedy campaign out there in illinois that was one of the big defeats for him how do you go about repairing that now the kennedy people there well i think that our delegates specifically most of them were from chicago and wilson bennett has been really talking to us in the past couple days and i think that chicago will be working very hard for us from now on you're gonna give chip carter the votes that he wants here on the mx are you gonna be able to hold your people in line on that i think we will most of our votes except for one issue have been you know we've gone like 150 to 10 to 15 and i look for that hope we get that on the mx all right now you've got a score card to check her off on later yes sir i'm gonna have to go work hard thank you both very much appreciate it all right now to chris wallace the connor forces may be making progress in illinois but they're not making progress on the unity question in new york congresswoman shirley chisholm is one of the leaders of the kennedy delegates in new york you held a caucus today and what did you decide we decided unanimously that he would support senator kennedy on the first half and why is that we feel very deeply about some of the rumors that are now circulating around the room that he may not accept that the president may not accept all of the plans by this convention we want to send a message to president carter to be very serious about what we're doing are you interested in unity we're interested in unity but not the price of

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interested in unity but not the price of political expediency the kennedy delegates are issue oriented individuals we're not political experienced individuals we worked hard and long to get these issues brought before the american people because they were not being debated and so at this point we are not interested in political expediency or unity or paper unity congresswoman chisholm thanks very much now back to john chancellor thank you we've had a lot of debates going on here on the floor and on the podium one of them earlier today was involving the proposal which was defeated to repeal 5.2 billion dollars in oil subsidies annually to the oil companies and here is how some of that debate went first the opponents the chairman the minority proposal would first discriminate against the thousands of small independent petroleum producers in this country by repealing this limited depletion allowance and contrary to what many of us believe the amendment in no way in no way affects large national or multinational oil and gas companies because they are already ineligible for the depletion allowance our adoption of the minority proposal would in effect be punishing our own small american domestic producers and those who are most responsible for our increased oil in natural gas production that we are witnessing today in 1980 if half of the time that we spent regulating energy were used to focus on developing our remaining fossil resources and developing alternate energy sources and renewable energy resources i assure you that our current energy problems would be nowhere near as serious as they are today today when price of gas is a dollar thirty at the pump the oil companies are using their massive profits not to find more oil and gas but in fact to disperse diversify away from those fields by purchasing department stores electronic firms and even a bandage

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electronic firms and even a bandage company and yet they continue to argue and too many americans are misled into believing that more and more profits are needed to meet the energy needs of america we have to face the fact mr chairman that is not only opec which is exploiting the american consumer that there is exploitation in our own midst and the tragedy is that our own government the federal government is aiding and abetting this economic squeeze of the american consumer to the tune of five and a half billion dollars through tax loopholes mr joyce and his friends lost the proposal was defeated by a vote of 1520 to 1166. david the nominating takes place tonight president carter's name will be put in nomination we understand at the moment subject to change congressman ron bellums of california will be put in nomination there will be voting and the choice will be made even though there is a great deal of suspense about it nbc's coverage of the convention in full begins with nbc nightly news at the usual time and we will stay with the convention after that until it closes down in the meantime thank you for being with us [Music] live from madison square garden in new york city nbc news reports the 1980 democratic national convention [Music]

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[Music] now reporting from the nbc news convention center in madison square garden here are david brinkley and john chancellor and good evening to our coverage of the third session of the 1980 convention here in madison square garden the night when jimmy carter will be the maid the nominee of the democratic party for the president efforts were underway this evening to make peace between jimmy carter and senator edward kennedy that's going on the party platform was approved after about six hours of debate and voting and other things are going on david well john one other thing that's going on is that the democratic party which repealed prohibition in 1933 has put it back in effect here in madison square garden they have closed all the bars and ordered the stoppage of the serving of beer at the hot dog stands i guess it is they want to keep the delegates on the floor the business conducted here this afternoon was uh dealing with minority planks to the platform nearly all of those that senator kennedy asked he got a couple of exceptions but the main ones he asked he got and in fact the big winners at the democratic convention so far not including the nomination are senator kennedy and the women the women delegates have got everything they ask for without exception john the party rules say that if a nominee in this case it will be jimmy carter disagrees with parts of the platform he must notify the delegates of that and therefore we have an interesting situation senator kennedy won a number of things here the main one being a an insertion into the platform of a democratic party pledge now to spend 12 billion dollars on jobs the carter people opposed that and the

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the carter people opposed that and the president to some degree is now on the spot jimmy carter needs badly many people believe ted kennedy to be on his side during this campaign and they hope to be on the podium tomorrow night for the great victory arm-raising ceremony at here in madison square garden kennedy's people are saying they don't think that the senator can do that with any enthusiasm or help in the campaign if the president when he notifies the convention of how he feels about this plank repudiates the idea of 12 billion dollars for jobs and that's where we stand now the president is said by the kennedy people to have called the senator within the last 15 minutes negotiations of some kind are underway and we're going to try to find out more on this here's judy woodruff nbc news has been told john that the president's platform accountability statement will be worded in a very general way designed to minimize as much as possible his disagreements with senator kennedy in the section considered most important to the kennedy campaign the president will accept the concept of the 12 billion jobs program which was proposed by senator kennedy and fought until yesterday by the carter administration and what the carter people want to be interpreted as a major conciliatory gesture to the senator the president is expected not to oppose the amount of the jobs stimulus proposal which was adopted by the delegates last night but to say that it is just the timing and the way the money is spent that he has a problem with at the same time one white house official said the language is less conciliatory than what the kennedy campaign at first insisted on they say kennedy staff people earlier today wanted mr carter at first to adopt the minority report with no changes at all but they say that that was rejected still one top administration official has told nbc news that the gesture mr carter has made should be considered a major change in policy and on one other aspect of the platform language that denies democratic party

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language that denies democratic party funds to candidates in states that have not ratified the equal rights amendment nbc news has been told that the president will have no major disagreements with that part of the platform and now to the floor and garrett gutler judy that report that letter which will be coming shortly from president carter is perhaps the most eagerly awaited piece of paper among these three thousand and 331 democratic delegates it has been awaited by the kennedy delegates here to see whether they can accept it but as far as jimmy carter is concerned it goes beyond just those kennedy delegates i've been talking to many officials here on the floor the afl-cio big labor which plays a very important role in supporting the democratic presidential candidate during the fall campaign and they are all saying one thing the platform has to have a strong commitment to a job stimulus program or they really can't go back and work enthusiastically for a carter mondale ticket earlier today elaine kirkland the afl-cio president and other officials said this in effect to the carter camp and although afl the cio may endorse carter the question of getting their people out to stuff envelopes push doorbells well that'll be up in the air unless there is this kind of a job commitment that is priority number one we've also been told that in the last one to two hours the president in these negotiations and discussions with his leave are going on even at this moment did meet with kirkland the head of the afl-cio and the officials here are hoping and they're quite optimistic that some kind of a compromise language will come out that they can accept they're not necessarily talking for the kennedy camp and it's important to remember that many of these afl-cio people the big labor people are carter supporters but they say if there is enough favorable language enough strong enough commitment to a jobs program they'll be able to support now over to tom brokaw gary i'm down here with bobby crim a kennedy delegate who's also the speaker of the house of representatives in the state of michigan where the unemployment offices are just about as crowded as this convention for at this hour we have a report that president carter will accept the concept of the 12 billion dollar jobs program although we're told he's not very happy

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although we're told he's not very happy with the timing of it he'd rather stretch it out over a three-year period would that make you as a kennedy delegate from a key industrial state happening no it will not uh it will make it very difficult uh for us in the state of michigan without a very strong jobs economic plan with 15 percent unemployment and pockets much higher than that we need help and we need help now stretching it out will mean that the intensity of which many of the people leave this convention to campaign for the president uh will be lessened i think but where do they go mr speaker if they don't go in this case to jimmy carter they're not likely to go as michigan democrats to ronald reagan or are they they will go to jimmy carter i think it's a question of uh how much intensity they put into the campaign there is a degree to which you support people and agree to which you can sell i think a candidate and in a state like michigan with our economic problems it's going to be difficult for us to sell jimmy carter without a strong jobs economic prank we're awaiting that compromise we hope it is a good alternative stronger than anything that you've heard from the white house thus far because he's already talking about a major re-industrialization it must be stronger than anything we've seen to this point and you don't care so much about the specific figure just so that there's a major we can do without the 12 billion dollar figure but we have to have some strong language and uh something that doesn't stretch out over a long period of time we're in trouble now on jobs now right now if the election were held who would win ronald reagan or jimmy carter i think at this point probably ronald reagan but a long campaign with national confrontation and spelling out goals and specifics will change that i think thank you mr speaker chris wallace women have also been waiting all day to see what the president would have to say on the platform specifically on two issues one of an already report that was passed yesterday that would prohibit the use of party funds for any democratic candidate that

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for any democratic candidate that opposes era and secondly on a minority report also passed yesterday favoring federal funding for abortion we're here in the new york delegation with former congresswoman bella abzug do you expect the president to support the platform on era and abortion i think that this is the mandate of the 20 million people that these delegates were supposed to represent and that's why they had to close the convention and bind them i think the president could do no less it's to be bound by what 20 million represented by the delegates here have decided overwhelmingly by the way two to one in one case and uh almost unanimous acclamation in the other case but what if he doesn't there's been a lot of talk all day that four to five hundred women delegates might walk out i expect the president to stand behind the era and to express some uh question of his personal conscience which has prevented him from supporting abortion uh i think anything else would be a mistake on his part and it would be he that would be walking out on the platform and the women here and i think that would be a mistake on his part but i don't believe that he will stray that much on the platform because i think he needs to have women in order to secure his election well that's the important point what happens here at the convention isn't it whether women especially liberal activist women who have usually supported the democratic presidential candidate are going to actually be part of this fall well the real question will be what he does with respect to the platform on these issues and on the economic issues because women are the victims of recession and loss of jobs and i think that the president generally has to have a program that commits himself in much more specific terms of the needs that women have and that will depend upon his actions we have won this victory we have demonstrated what we have always said that a majority outside of this convention as well as inside

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of this convention as well as inside support strong action on abortion and on the ocean on women's issues chris now you know the passion of the issues involved in this final platform fight the last gasp of the kennedy carter contest here at madison square garden political accountability to the platform is an important new idea this year it's sort of like the fine print in a life insurance contract you buy it spells out where you differ and where you don't get the benefits and that's the dilemma facing the president in working out this business under 12 billion in job funds same question involved in enforcing era by withholding funds from candidates who do not support era so we are setting the scene tonight for a platform battle between the republicans and the democrats particularly on these issues of era which the republicans as you know rejected so soundly and

era ultra which the democrats are trying to decide tonight and on the issue of the government role in creating jobs in a sagging economy against a republican notion of private business having the prime responsibility for creating new jobs we will hear these matters debated from now until the election between mr carter and mr reagan david tom thank you it's going to be an interesting evening here in madison square garden here's what's happening now the democrats a short time ago about an hour and a half finished work on their platform a new rule voted in at this convention requires the president or the nominee within an hour after the platform is adopted to say in writing whether he accepts it whether he dislikes some parts of it reject some parts of it which ones and why that process is in the works now the president has sent a copy of his comments on the platform over to senator kennedy we don't have a

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over to senator kennedy we don't have a copy of it yet they are reading it and we will hear about it shortly the one he objects to most we think is the one calling for 12 billion dollars to create jobs it'll be very difficult for mr carter to reject that because it is supported by the labor unions by the blacks and by nearly all or in all of the kennedy delegates a substantial part of the convention we'll be back with all of that in a moment [Music] the carter statement on the platform the one now required by the new rule voted at this convention has been sent over to the kennedy headquarters our correspondent jim cummins is there at the waldorf astoria hotel jim david uh a press aid to senator kennedy richard drain just came out moments ago about five minutes ago and said the following we have received a statement from the president and we are studying it drain went on to say a decision has not been made on thursday night train says the president called the senator about 4 15 this afternoon and they had what he described as a private conversation i do know that i had been calling the senator's suite throughout the afternoon and the last call that i placed was about 6 20 tonight and after that i couldn't get through there were reports up here that the president had called again but they have cut off all calls to the senator's suite at least from the reporters gathered outside here this is what we call our version of a boiler room up here this is the lobby area besides the elevators the senator's suite is down at that end and for the past three days uh crowds of reporters camera crews and technicians usually jam this and that's why we call it our boiler room because it gets so hot here the reason it looks so empty now is that since mr drain made his statements everybody ran to the telephones now over to john palmer at carter headquarters

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the president is in his suite here at the sheraton center hotel in mid manhattan he has been in that suite since 9 30 this morning when he first arrived his aides tell us he will remain there throughout the night and as you just heard he has made some telephone calls today we're told he's been watching television and of course working on this report concerning his objections to various planks in the platform his next scheduled movement will come at midday tomorrow when as scheduled he plans to go to the plaza hotel for what is billed as a democratic victory luncheon one kennedy aide suggested that that would be a good time after that luncheon for the president to drive a few blocks south to the waldorf astoria to the kennedy headquarters and there that could be the setting of that first meeting here in new york between the president and senator kennedy but carter people insist that there is no agreement yet they say pretty much that the ball on that score as it is concerning the platform appearance of senator kennedy tomorrow night that and the meeting with the president very much in the court of the kennedy people now concerning the president's report on the platform one high kennedy official said of that report unless someone is looking to be mad at us there is just nothing in that paper we sent over to the kennedy people that would tend to make them mad at us i'm john palmer at carter headquarters in midtown manhattan now back to david john thank you it appears now that the kennedy decision on thursday night as we heard mentioned a minute ago meaning appearing here on the podium with the president thursday night to accept the applause and the cheers and shake hands and pose for pictures his decision on that depends on carter's statement on the platform so we will keep on top of this keep it moving along as it happens john the mx missile was an issue before this convention today there were two proposals to amend the platform uh one to oppose the installation or deployment of the mx missile system that was put in by a delegate from

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that was put in by a delegate from oregon uh senator kennedy had a proposal that the mx system be delayed while alternatives were examined the kennedy people in today's politicking here in the hall withdrew their proposal and so the only test we had on the mx today was the test of a proposal that it be simply abandoned not deployed and that was put forward by a man named joe smith a carter delegate from oregon he lost it was defeated on a vote on a on a tally vote decisively garrett cutley has more on this from the convention floor here in the oregon delegation with joe smith and the defeat was decisive 600 vote margin were you surprised by that no i wasn't three hours earlier i think we had the votes what happened the president united states sent everybody a letter that is i should say everybody for the oregon delegation did not send the oregon delegation and they brought the biggest guns that have perhaps ever come to the floor of a convention today the plan issue this was a handwritten letter uh from jimmy carter on white's house stationery usually not his title as president but as commander-in-chief tremendously influential but let me say i respect the president for the fight that he made and i uh i have great regard for what he did and the sensitivity he had with our organization but given the complexity of this issue nuclear weapons balance of power do you think there is any possibility that a convention of people who are not experts in this field could have really analyzed and understood what was at stake every suggestion that that question represents the trap that we have allowed ourselves to fall into but we have decided because it is so technical we're going to turn it over to the technicians and that spells the end if we follow that logically of a democratic republic we've got to recognize that the basic policy has got to be decided by the people and that's what this debate was about it was a fair debate they they treated me completely fairly i'd like to say that there were those who were warning me there were going to be gains i couldn't have been treated more fairly but you lost but i lost i lost fair

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but you lost but i lost i lost fair but the real purpose of what we did today was to start a national debate thank you very much joe smith from oregon now over to tom pettitt in utah eric with daryl mccarty democratic national committee member from salt lake city involved in the campaign not to go off half-cocked with the mx would that be a fair way of stating that's an excellent statement we'll buy that one utah and nevada are where the mx probably would go if they are built in those endless mazes of tracks and tunnels are you going to vote against this resolution or for this resolution to in effect stop the mx the delegation of utah voted in favor of opposing amex trying to stop it on the basis of the social impact that's going to be there the impact it's going to have upon our agriculture upon our people totally we don't think that the federal government has done all of its homework and the kinds of things that it ought to do all we're asking them to do is to be careful in their studies we're being put in a very dangerous situation we've got water problems out there these are our concerns so you're going to vote yes on the minority report that's right that is a vote against that's a vote against the mx that's absolutely right thank you very much you've been michael all right to david thank you we'll be back keeping up with all of this in a moment one development during the voting on a platform today was that a minority plank calling for a slowdown or perhaps eventually elimination of the mx missile a minority plank was defeated so the platform still calls as it originally did for deployment development of the mx missile sometime in the future dates not specified john we began this convention by arguing with

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we began this convention by arguing with the democrats arguing over whether delegates should be bound to their candidates the candidates that they'd been elected for in the primaries uh the carter people won that and his 1800 1984 delegates are bound to have to vote for him on the first ballot it's the law now kennedy has said all along that he doesn't regard his delegates as bound and he's been saying that today although there's a little doubt about the legalisms of all this the kennedy delegates have been told they don't have to vote for him however a number of them will in the balloting tonight to put his name in a nomination tom brokaw has more on that i'm down here with uh john glenn john chancellor and we're talking about ohio what the prospects are for this fall actually a key industrial state you were saying just a few moments ago the

president's only 19 points behind in ohio you find that encouraging well i i only an ex-marine could find that in church no i don't think so you know i saw one today that said that there was 25 to 44 reagan was ahead but you know this has been a very mercurial last year and a half as far as polls going i don't see that 19 as being an insurmountable thing once the president gets out on the campaign trail and it looks as though housing starts are going up autos are beginning to turn around inflation has come down not far enough yet but it's down if we see employment picking up and things are a little better shape and you compare that with his statements when governor reagan is going to also have to spell out a lot more detail on their platform and his views and i don't see this as an insurmountable thing to overcome at all but a very tough fight in the key very very tough fight and the president's very definitely behind right now as i would see it i think those polls are probably very accurate but i don't see this as something that can't be made up at all right senator john glenn democrat of ohio is also running out of chris wallace governor bob graham of florida is going to be nominating jimmy carter tonight

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tonight governor we've been talking to a lot of people here on the floor who aren't too happy with jimmy carter blacks women union members do you think you're going to have any problem tonight working this crowd up for jimmy carter chris i think that we've already seen the beginning of the coming together which this party has got to accomplish if it's going to win in november the message i'm going to try to convey is that we've got a choice to make in november it's a choice that's going to touch our lives in a very personal way it makes a difference if ronald reagan or jimmy carter is president united states this party is not going to contribute to the election of ronald reagan this is also obviously kind of a public relations bonanza for a man who's only been governor for two years i mean are you excited by the prospect unless you're getting interviewed on national television you're going to be up there on the podium i'm very excited about it this is an opportunity to say what i feel what i know is shared by millions of americans about jimmy carter get all nervous not not yet maybe in a little while well good luck tonight thank you very much we'll be watching thank you thank you we don't know yet and won't know until a roll call appears how many delegates persist in voting for kennedy even though he is withdrawn but if it's any substantial number it could be a serious embarrassment to the president as he lives here and starts his campaign his mother mrs lillian carter has appeared in the hall and is seated in the vip section at the far opposite end sitting there chatting with somebody waiting to see her son nominated she was here in her booth last night and said if by chance he lost she could she would be having back in planes to do some yard work we'll be back in a moment [Music] live from madison square garden in new york city nbc news reports the 1980 democratic

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nbc news reports the 1980 democratic national convention brought to you in part by mcdonnell douglas builders of the dc-10 now serving 90 nations flying a million miles a day [Applause] [Music] now reporting from the nbc news convention center in madison square garden here is john chancellor and we are here on the nomination night the candid names of candidates to be president on the democratic party ticket will be presented to this hall to these delegates either voted on or not in one case the first candidate's name will come up tonight will be that of congressman ronald dellums from berkeley california after that james earl carter of plains georgia's name will be put before the convention congressman dellums is having his name put in nomination because he and many of the other i think 481 blacks here are dissatisfied with their condition and he wants to have his name put in as an indication of that why is his name coming up before the president's in this order well they put delhim's name in a hat and they put carter's name in a hat and when they took out the paper delum's name was on it so he is to be nominated first in the meantime in various hotels around town senator kennedy staff is studying president carter's comments on the platform and it is obvious that senator kennedy's support for the carter campaign is

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support for the carter campaign is contingent on what the president has said about the kennedy planks that have been adopted into the platform uh there has to be some tension between these two staffs david i might point out john that the unreconstructed kennedy delegates who came here pledged to him can still vote for him may still vote for him under the rules even though his name will not be put in nomination in fact unless they unless you as a delegate are pledged to a particular candidate you can vote for anybody you want anywhere in the world and so if they want to vote for kennedy they may do so and our information is that a number we don't know how many will do so on the podium now is mayor richard hatcher of gary indiana we're going down to the podium to those dreams and our president gives them an eloquent a fair and a committed voice as we look to the campaign ahead let us remember that if the democratic party does not abandon poor people poor people will not abandon the democratic party if the democratic party does not abandon black america black america will not abandon the democratic party if the democratic party does not abandon working people organized labor working people and organized labor will not abandon the democratic party if the democratic party does not abandon the women of america if it stands fast with them on era then the women of america will not abandon the democratic party finally if the democratic party does not abandon the great cities of our country these cities and their mayors will not abandon the democratic party

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when one compares the democratic platform on full employment equal justice and opportunity for all to the platform of the runaway reactionary republicans there is quite frankly no comparison when one compares the record and the person of president carter to the negative nominee of the republican party ronald reagan there is no comparison however however as we leave new york we must not forget that our party cannot feed the hungry we cannot give jobs to the unemployed we cannot ensure justice and equality for all unless we win this election in november the hall as you have seen is filled with helium-filled green balloons they're holding them down on the floor and at the appropriate time i assume they're going to release them and let them float up the ceiling in the meantime john would you say it looks like a 50-ton box of gumballs i'll let you stand on that all right mike jensen our business correspondent has looked over the economic plank or planks in the platform as they were voted on today and has a report for us from our nbc front porch mike the economic planks that have been adopted here are mostly about putting people back to work we're in a recession unemployment is 7.8 percent jobs are hard to find especially for blacks and teenagers so the delegates here adopted four economic planks that deal primarily with jobs first that the democratic party's highest domestic priority will be a job for everyone able to work that the party will not take any kind of action that would significantly increase

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action that would significantly increase unemployment that is fiscal monetary or budgetary action that no policy of higher interest rates and unemployment be used in the fight against inflation and most controversial that there will be a 12 billion dollar federal program providing at least 800 thousand jobs the convention rejected a plank that called for mandatory wage and price controls the economic planks taken collectively are very different from president carter's basic economic policy the president has consistently said that inflation is our number one problem this convention says the biggest problem is unemployment and it says it very forcefully so as mike jensen reports the uh party platform of the 1980 party platform calls for 12 billion in jobs it calls for 1 billion in a for a railroad renewal program which can employ up to 20 000 workers it talks about implementation of something called the brook cranston program to restore the housing industry and the addition of 200 000 units a year for low and moderate income families quite a sweeping program causing a lot of talk here in the hall tom brokaw has more on it john i'm down here with jerry worth who is the head of one of the most powerful politically powerful unions especially in the democratic party in the country american federation of state county and municipal employees government workers are you happy with the jobs plan that has been adopted i was very pleased with the progress we've been able to make in the minority reports particularly what was called minority port 3 last night what does president carter now have to

say about that plank to make you tom all i know is what i've been hearing on the television i'm dependent upon the media not a bad source well i think without conjecturing what he's doing or not doing it is my strong feeling that for the first time in a long while the platform is essentially a premise in

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the platform is essentially a premise in which a candidate has to campaign on and i think essentially that president carter can unite this party president carter needs and cannot run on anything except that what took place here last night yesterday today and so on look it's hard for me to believe that your union can go anywhere else no matter what president i want to make it absolutely clear to you tom that if president carter repudiates three it probably would be very very difficult for me to persuade the membership the leadership of our union to endorse either the candidacy of the party i think it's a mandate not only upon the president but upon the congress thank you very much jerry head of the american state county municipal employees union now tom brown time i'm with mayor tom bradley of los angeles in the california section mayor bradley jerry werth the union leader of the government workers just said that if the president doesn't hold on to the 12 billion dollar pledge that the kennedy people put in that his union would find it terribly hard to support carter in the campaign how would you find it well i'm sure the president is concerned about producing maximum number of jobs as anybody in this country i believe it's going to be a question of how you structure that kind of expenditure i hope that the president is willing to compromise on the principle so that he can support it i believe he can well i think he said he would compromise on the principle but the other side has said it doesn't want to compromise on the amount in the way in which it's spent i think the problem is going to be how do you devise a detailed plan at this point that is going to uh call for that kind of expenditure and how does it impact on the rest of the budget what's the unemployment rate in los angeles among black youth oh among black youth it runs over 40 percent so there is an unemployment problem no

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so there is an unemployment problem no question about it and the reason i say it's a difficult matter to structure a precise form for this expenditure even with our public service jobs program we found that we were not being able to reach many of those uh unemployed youth who've been unemployed for many years i think you have to do it well and wisely complex issue yeah thank you sir now to to someone oh chris this is someone chuck gifford is an official in the united auto workers in iowa and a very strong kennedy supporter mr gifford apparently the president is going to say tonight that while he supports the idea of a 12 million dollar jobs program in principle he isn't about to implement it immediately what do you think of that obviously i'm not happy with it the same attitude this administration has had on implementation at humphrey hawkins seemed like their single purpose is uh break the back of inflation uh uh through uh higher unemployment in this country that simply cannot work what are you gonna do what are you gonna do in the fall campaign gonna i'm gonna i intend to stay in this delegation i intend to stay on the floor of this convention and fight this thing through uh there's no question about it uh what i would hope that we could do is uh change president carter's attitude uh towards uh unemployment and additional jobs coming out of this convention i fully intend to support the nominee of this party compared to ronald reagan you're saying you're really stuck with jay carter well it's not a question to be inspected isn't it i don't care to view it in terms of choices [Music] a reagan presidency quite frankly frightens me uh to no end the threat the thought of the supreme court and federal judgeships uh in this country and knowing from first-hand experience in iowa the right-wing anti-worker anti-labor attitude

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anti-labor attitude uh with the reagan presidency supplementing that thing the workers of this country is not going to be served with the reagan presidency chuck gifford of the iowa uaw thanks very much now david brinkley thank you we'll be back in a moment [Music] john that was an interesting series of interviews on the floor a minute ago with jerry wharf of the public employees unions and various others talking about the 12 billion dollar job program senator daniel p moynihan of new york had a comment about this he said the

democrats have been in power so long that almost without realizing it they have become the party of government that is to say the party representing those groups and classes in america dependent on the government for a living no longer he says the party of those who work and pay the taxes to support all of this which whether good or bad i don't know but it does seem to be true i'm i'm not so sure that all the democrats give away money the governor of oklahoma george nye was at gracie mansion here with mayor koch during this convention asked to use the phone was told to use the pay phone didn't have a dime had to borrow a dime to use the pay phone now that's fiscal responsibility benjamin hooks of the naacp is addressing the convention to control inflation while the opportunity for a job is as fundamental and essential as free speech there must be unequivocal support for the ratification of era 52 of americans should not have to wait another day for full equality in this land this party must pursue a policy of quality

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quality integrated education for all americans in public and private school systems and we should not back down from business to achieve that purpose as a civil rights organization we may differ with many of you on issues such as abortion and capital punishment but the common thread which runs throughout our concerns in each of these issues is at least in part because of the uneven treatment on the basis of race poverty and sex on the issue of abortion whatever your personal position might be we at the naacp believe that any rights and options which are awarded to the rich must also be available to the poor and if you believe in the right to life then in the name of god truth and justice you ought to believe in the right to live and if babies are to be born we must provide them with milk and food to live we urge full support of a national health insurance plan which covers all americans with a comprehensive range of benefits we call for support of policies and programs that will provide an adequate affordable supply of housing particularly for the low and moderate income family the 1984 housing act was adopted by the u.s house of representatives must be passed by the senate the heavy involvement of american capital in southern africa supports the continued exploitation of the black majority we demand an end and an end now to federal aid and trade to south africa hooks president of the national association of for the advancement of colored people garrick udley down on the floor or just off the floor is talking with the secretary of labor

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secretary of labor marshall garrick here in the trailer of carter trailer area the command post with ray marshall now mr marshall we have understood understand that the agreement or the carter statement has been written up it has not yet been released yet but you know what is in it what is the carter position in terms of the kennedy job program our position is to take a strong position on jobs the president has his own program though which differs in content even though we agree on the objective of the minority platform position number three on jobs let's go through one by one first of all i assume you support the the principle of job creation absolutely yeah second the critical point kennedy talks about 12 billion dollar program your position you know our position is that uh that it's not appropriate to have a specific figure the president has a long-range program that we've been working on for several months we believe that it's important to have a short range program that meshes with that and we accept the spirit the idea of reducing unemployment the goals have reduced same goals that they have in that uh the kennedy platform position but we believe that the composition of the programs needed to get to those goals should be somewhat different but what we want to do is to while accepting the goal continue to work with the labor movement and black groups and the congress and others on specific programs to achieve that objective so you are not committing yourself to any specific figure no specific figure but to the the goal of reducing uh unemployment tell me about the negotiations or talks that may have been taking place on this with the kennedy people well there have been extensive discussions with them and i think that we do agree with the main thrust of their program in terms of job creation do they do they agree to the kennedy people agree with this presidential statement on jobs well i think uh you'll need to ask them about that my understanding is

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ask them about that my understanding is that there have been discussions with a number of people and that there is a broad agreement on the program but people will have to speak for themselves what about organized labor the afl-cio the same there have been discussions with them i'd let them speak for themselves i think that the president's proposal will be one that can be broadly supported by the labor movement as well as by democrats generally excuse me bob strauss was just about to step over our microphone cable here we don't want him to trip here the report itself though because the phraseology is going to be very important in this situation when the kennedy people and the labor people read it can you tell us you've seen it you've been told what it is what the operative phraseology is i think the operative phraseology is that we accept the goals but the president has his own program to achieve those goals we think it's more important to emphasize their goals as well as ours which is to reduce unemployment and to have agreement on that uh but for us to put together the program that we've been working on for some time in order to achieve those goals once again do you think the kennedy people are happy with this i hope they will be i think many of the kennedy people will be happy with the program as well as many democrats and people who believe are concerned about unemployment concerned about jobs will find this a very strong jobs program and i think once the whole program gets announced in a couple of weeks then there will be broad support for it thank you very much ray marshall secretary of labor here in the carter headquarters now to john chancellor although it seems clear that secretary marshall does not know and obviously cannot say at this time what the reaction of the kennedy camp has been to these carter proposals so i think some tough politicking going on here speaking of tough politicking our republican panel is in washington now observing these events at the democratic convention and there with bill monroe bill good evening john the chairman of the republican party phil black next to me and senator john water of virginia

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and senator john water of virginia senator you were secretary of the navy not too many years ago i wonder if you don't feel that president carter is going to be a little tougher for the republicans to run against now that the convention has backed him up on development of the mx missile he should never have let that issue go to the floor of the convention i'm astonished that the democratic leadership of america let that issue go to that convention it is the most complicated technical system that we've brought into our defense posture in a long time it's essential for america it is essential for the world jimmy carter four years ago made us a promise that he'd cut defense and he kept that promise if he had missed the opportunity tonight let that slip it would have been another in a long series of mistakes but the convention didn't back the president up only after he broke history and sent the secretary of defense from washington to leave his post to go up and plead with that convention imagine it the first time in the history of the united states that a sitting secretary of defense has ever been dragged into a political convention you know governor reagan has promised the nation that he would restore our military capability provide a margin of safety so that this nation can use its military to maintain the peace and if ever we're attacked that we have a margin of safety by which we can repel that attack and quickly win a victory i'd like to ask the republican chairman about this accountability process we're seeing in action in madison square garden i wonder if you would like to have that same kind of process in the republican party now that you see how it works with the nominee being required to assign a pledge that he supports the the platform or indicate where he differs gosh i i know i wouldn't have that in the party

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i know i wouldn't have that in the party and i don't think any rational person would have it in either party look at what they're doing to president carter they're they're making him spell out the differences with his own delegates the delegates uh aren't spelling out their differences with the mainstream of the democratic party and they clearly don't reflect the mainstream of the democratic party but the planks that they're passing are incredibly awry way off on the left in the spectrum from their own party members much less the the american people and to put their president in a box like that is is i think really bad politics and very unfortunate you're happy that the democrats have an accountability process not the republicans i'll make you a very very heavy bet bill that they don't have it next time i don't think anybody would ever actually want to go through this kind of stupid exercise again it's really hurting the president it's going to hurt the democratic party thank you very

much chairman brock senator warner now back to david the democrat who was doing this precise uh performance last uh convention during the republicans in detroit ambassador robert strauss is now talking to garrick udly downstairs here gary with bob strauss we were talking a moment ago secretary of labor marshall about the carter position on the kennedy jobs plank in the party platform the kennedy people accept this i don't really know that they have i know that this whole document has been cleared with the president uh explained to a number of our constituents groups some of the leading people who lead those groups and they've signed off on it and it has gone and it also was sent to senator kennedy and his people and i certainly hope that he signed off on it i don't know that so i don't want to speculate on is this does this position of yours mean it is a policy change no i don't think so at all the president there's been is that you know there's been a a difference between the president and senator uh on economic policy senator has his own economic program designed uh with the same goals i should say the same intent would be maybe a better word is senator kennedy so they're no different

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senator kennedy so they're no different with them on the intent it's the approach and i think that difference is obviously still there uh there's no uh 12 billion dollar figure for example mentioned the ca and but i think the senator and the president have had some very constructive conversations today i haven't been privy to them so i don't want to comment too much on them how close has uh had the two men come together bluntly is senator kennedy going to be in this madison square garden tomorrow night my judgment is if i was going to bed i'd say yes he will be here i don't know that how much would you bet well i don't know how much you want about it if it's cash or conversation we're putting up cash i bet pretty good conversation i don't bet a lot of conventions one other question there are other planks which are treated in this president's message to the convention delegates a very controversial one has been on equal rights there is a platform adopted i haven't really been over that and there's no point in my you know i said maybe to go to some other people that i have a good deal of credibility i think with a lot of americans and i don't want to speculate on convention floor and lose that credibility i'll talk about what i know and i'll talk about what i think but not i don't want to speculate any more than that women will be happy with what they read i i since i haven't read it your guess would be as good as mine i would hope so and i would certainly believe so and compare the republicans i know they'll be thrilled thank you very much thank you strauss of the carter campaign now back to john chancellor yeah the president uh is going to be commenting or has commented in that uh statement he's making on the platform on more than one issue uh we've heard a lot of talk about the 12 billion dollar jobs proposal just now but there is also the er a plank in the platform that was proposed by the women's coalition it is not a kennedy proposal the women's coalition proposed and the convention adopted a plank that says that the democratic party may not give any funds party funds for campaigning purposes or otherwise to any candidate who does not endorse the era the white house had opposed that on the grounds that this in the words of white house staffers was single issue politics they felt that there were some

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politics they felt that there were some candidates who would be useful for the whole democratic party who had not endorsed era and that they therefore should have party funds that was voted down the president will be commenting on that in his statement it is not a kennedy proposal we'll have more convention coverage in a minute a number of people said a number of things during this campaign they probably wish now they had not said one for example was a carter strategist in april april who said if ted kennedy is still hanging on in july and bothering us we'll lose the election of ronald reagan well this is august and he's hung around until last night and to some extent use his word is still bothering in any case mr carter will be put in nomination tonight and senator kennedy will not the nominating process is fairly straightforward but we're going now to the podium to jessica savage for a little briefing on exactly how it works jessica it is very simple the nominating process is something where you want to be nominated for president you just simply get 10 of the number of delegates here to sign a petition that would be about 330 signatures on a petition and your name can be put in nomination the nominating speeches are supposed to take about 15 minutes and they will at for instance ron dellums at this point we're not sure whether ron dellums is just going to speak or whether ron delemus

will be nominated if ron dellums is going to be nominated the first speaker will be alice tripp of minnesota which will speak three minutes then jerome grossman from massachusetts and he'll speak five minutes and then ron dellums is supposed to speak seven minutes on his own account unless he takes the full 15 and and just uses that instead of the nomination then after that at around 9 30 president carter will be nominated and the first speaker will be rob graham and then after that coretta king and then song chunkin and those are the people that will nominate it will just be the two nominations tonight it's as you said

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nominations tonight it's as you said david a very straightforward simple process john chancellor leading to a very complicated process in the fall jimmy carter president carter will have to get elected that's what this convention is all about ronald reagan wants to get elected that's what their convention was all about and every indication we have every indication the country is so aware of is that jimmy carter is at a lower standing in the polls now than gallup has ever recorded for a president seeking re-nomination and i think for a president at any stage of his office various polls of governors around the country have indicated that most of the nation's governors believe that as of this moment that important word the democrats the democratic presidential candidate at any rate would lose in their states we've heard numerous delegates tell us here on the floor of this convention that if the election were held today or tomorrow that the democratic presidential candidate mr carter would not carry the stake they are hopeful that this may be turned around but not all are that hopeful the fall campaign weighs heavily on the minds of the delegates in this hall we have some reports now from the floor beginning with tom pettitt senator mutzenbaum of ohio should this convention adopt the carter compromise on jobs well i think the card should it excuse me for interrupting should it adopt it what happens to carter's candidacy in ohio this fall it isn't helped nearly as much as it would be if we stayed with the platform plank that we adopted last night the unemployed auto workers unemployed steel workers fireworkers miners in ohio are concerned about jobs and they're not just going to be satisfied with generalized language they want a commitment for 800 000 jobs 12 billion dollars and without that do you think they would vote against jimmy carter i don't think that that's the determinant but i think that jimmy carter has a long road up and i intend to help him climb that road if the election were today senator

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if the election were today senator benson bomb who would carry ohio i think with john anderson on the ballot and i think he will be on the ballot i think that ronald reagan would carry it today but i think we have a chance of carrying it in november but i believe that we've got to have some strong positions with respect to putting people back to work in my state senator messenbom thank you thank you now over to tom brokaw with former u.s senator john tunney chairman of the kennedy delegation in california one of the senator's closest personal friends you were just saying that you've had a chance to look at the letter that president carter sent here on the jobs blank of the platform that's right satisfy you well i thought that it was very conciliatory because he talks in general terms about supporting the principles of the jobs plan he does not mention the 12 billion dollars he neither accepts it nor rejects it but i think it was very conciliatory particularly when you consider that the rumor around here a couple of hours ago was uh that he was going to reject it out of hand what do you think the senator thinks about it [Music] well i think that he'll feel that it's conciliatory too when he has a chance to digest it i i don't want to speak for him i think he's got to speak for himself but i i personally uh thought it was quite conciliatory uh senator tony i was hearing you talk just a few moments ago i've heard a number of kennedy operatives on this floor about no walkouts tonight are you worried that some of your people might take a hike honestly yes yes you don't talk to me any other way no that's right i always tell the truth tom i i really don't think that we're going to have at many walk outs i hope we don't you know ted kennedy very well can you imagine that he will not be on that platform tomorrow night i think that he's making his mind up tom on that issue right now and the last thing in the world that i want to do is to speak for him i think that he ought to speak for himself and i think we'll know very soon thank

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and i think we'll know very soon thank you very much john tony of california now let's go to chris wallace former new york city mayor hey beam was a strong supporter for jimmy carter in 1976 and again in 1980 mr mayor we hear a lot of talk that jimmy carter is in serious trouble in new york state this year is he there's no doubt about the fact it's going to be a tough campaign but i'm extremely confident now when the trips are down and when there is going to be a focus on the issues and the two men who are going to run reagan and carter that the people will see that the policies of carter are what they want and not the backwood policies of reagan but you know when you go around the new york delegation and you talk to all the kind of constituencies that a democratic candidate needs blacks women liberals a lot of them have serious problems with jimmy carter in new york state you know in 1948 i was at my first convention that was a convention where truman was nominated and i remember that convention it was a similar kind of a reaction that he can't win and everything was against them but when the chips are down they did it and here in new york the thing i want to emphasize is that there's been no president in the history of our country who has done more for the cities of our country and for new york city than jimmy carter and that's why most of the mayors of this country are forums a lot of people think that john anderson will hurt jimmy carter in new york state well it's obvious that john anderson to whatever extent he is assuming he's going to stay in this thing is going to hurt carter more than reagan but i think that as time goes on the people will see that their vote for anderson is a vote to elect reagan very quickly if the election were held today who would win in new york state

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it would be hard to really make a judgment and i want to emphasize polls are good only on the day they're the biggest poll is on november 4th and that's the one that's going to count former mayor a beam with a definite navy thanks very much the carter family has turned out in massive numbers to see jimmy carter re-nominated tonight and for his acceptance speech tomorrow by our count there are 20 of them here aunts uncles mothers sisters brothers so on except of course billy carter who is not here he is in washington talking to lawyers and preparing for his appearance before a senate committee subcommittee investigating his deals with there's the carter family some of them billy has had a rather hard time today he flew from georgia flew from atlanta to washington missed his airplane because driving to the airport he was stopped by the police and given a speeding ticket he had to get the next point it is not billy's day john it's called you can't win for losing i believe billy also was telling reporters in america's georgia the other day where he seems to hold a press conference just about every day that the kennedy that the carter campaign people had asked him not to come to the convention and not to campaign billy said i'm sorry he said i like meeting people maybe he's met i beg your pardon there there is another member of the carter family known to us all arriving here in the hall i believe that's the outside of the hall mrs carter and her daughter amy she'll be sitting in various places during the proceedings this evening in the vip section she's got some interviews scheduled

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one here [Music] and we'll be back with more convention coverage after this [Music] back here with the democrats democrat political conventions in both parties have always had two distinguishing characteristics one has been a series of nakedly self-serving political statements phrased in the vocabulary of high principle the other is the habit of writing a platform and then about a week later totally forgetting it senator kennedy during his campaign came up with an idea to change at least to some extent the second category and he's called it he's got it into the platform now it's called the accountability requirement the nominee of the party or nominees of the party those who may become the nominee are required within an hour of the time the platform is adopted to say in writing if they accept the platform if any of it if there is any of it they do not accept they have to say what it is and why jessica savage on the podium has a report on how this process is going now jessica david it is going very haphazardly right now i don't know if you can see this you probably can't this how small this print is this is president carter's statement on the minority platform what he agrees with what he does not agree with there is some delay handing this out answer to your question jessica is we cannot see it you cannot see it tell us what it says i cannot see it either it's so small so we're reading it as we go through i picked out a couple of places here where i can spot some of the disagreements it says on minority report too minority report two on economic in

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too minority report two on economic in search two paragraphs stating the party will not take any economic action which would significantly increase unemployment and pledges a truly democratic policy that's the minority report here's what president carter says i have concerns with minority report too because of the responsibility in these matters should rest with the president and with the congress this responsibility should not be delegated meaning that the president kind of wants to make his own uh economic policies as he goes along in this administration now also on the not with regard to minority report number nine uh on minority report nine the jobs policy i heard douglas kiker uh and uh also garrett utley a few minutes ago i believe say something about president carter and the jobs policy on the jobs policy he does not want to go along with the 12 billion jobs program the president is sort of backing off on that he says to achieve full employment we must also be successful in our fight against inflation a jobs policy must not only promote economic growth and provide opportunities to the disadvantaged but also must create an environment of responsible price stability and the other one i was able to pick out so far and we'll give you the rest later on minority report number 10. minority report number 10 went through very rapidly it was on the equal rights amendment it was sponsored by era people rather and it was on something called reproductive freedom it was sponsored by a women's coalition it was not carter sponsored it was not kennedy sponsored with regard to federal funding of abortion on that the president is saying that since the beginning of my administration i have personally opposed federal funding of abortion i have sworn to uphold the laws passed by congress and the constitution of the united states so that means the president is not in agreement with that particular minority report as we get through the rest of these we'll give you an update ken bodie on the balcony thank you jessica i'm standing with bill wimpensinger the president of the international brotherhood of machinists so whimper singer you've heard the general outlines of this report what do

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general outlines of this report what do you think well it seems to me like it's the same old story it looks to me as though the president is perfectly willing to accept the will of this convention when it comes to the resolution of a rules fight but he's a lot less willing to accept the will of the convention when it comes to two very important platform planks that were overwhelmingly adopted numbers three and nine were faced again with the same old trade-off of uh unemployment to solve inflation that's the very thing senator kennedy has stressed so strongly in the campaign and very strongly last night in his presentation to the convention you've said that uh you will lead your delegates off this floor tomorrow night if you're not satisfied with this when president carter's name is put in when he when he begins his speech now there is conciliatory language in this statement not conciliatory enough in your view not at all because to conciliate on that issue is to conciliate the basic needs of the american people at the lower end of the economic pyramid and that is the problem of our country we have a program here that this administration has followed which has warmed over nixon and ford it's warmed over other administrations it's been economic policy for 10 years it has not worked it will not work and it will not work in the future the inflation is centered in four basic fundamental areas food housing energy and health care those are the engines of this inflation and if we don't come to grips with those in a meaningful way with meaningful programs with determination and guts we're not going to solve it it is historic isn't it for our president of the united states to send before this convention his explicit disagreements with what the party has written and say these are the way this is the way i disagree with the party well then we have the right to respectfully disagree with him thank you bill whimpersinger now down to the floor to tom brokaw yeah i'm over here uh with bill green the mayor of philadelphia who's uh talking with a number of his constituents and others eric green we're on television

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on television we are well how was that wonderful hello tom how are you fine have you uh seen the conciliate conciliatory statement on jobs from president obama no i have not seen it well apparently uh he's not naming a figure in there and willing to go along with the jobs program in a conceptual way based on what you've been hearing is that good enough for your people it's so i really don't know tom i haven't seen it i don't know

what there's some people thinking the delegation that they feel as a result of the rule vote the other night that they want to vote for senator kennedy without any regard to anything else i'm not sure yet what they're going to do my guess would be that by and large uh if and when someone moved to make the nomination unanimous that most of them would vote yes you wouldn't have any trouble there i would be prepared to vote what's going to happen in pennsylvania this fall i think it's too early to tell i think if you were to judge right now i think it's conceivable that uh carter is substantially behind uh i don't think that well let's take a year ago tonight uh the kennedy carter race may have taken a it was a completely different looking race than it is as we stand here tonight so i don't think with the way things fluctuate as quickly as they do today that anyone really knows what's going to happen in november i certainly do not uh believe uh that the president can't win pennsylvania in other words i believe it is possible for the president to carry pennsylvania november you're very close personally to senator kennedy as well as politically can you imagine him not standing up there on that platform tomorrow night a demonstration of unity i'm not sure you don't know for sure no i really don't what would you tell him to do i wouldn't tell him on television mayor bill green of philadelphia that's one of the reasons he still gets to be a friend with ted kennedy another chris wallace we're over the new york delegation with a semi bedlam going on because mario cuomo the lieutenant governor of new york and a carter whip just came out of a briefing

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briefing on the president's opinion his statement on the platform he came out with copies of his statement and people reporters delegates have been swarming all over to find out what's in it on the jobs program what do you understand the president is saying the president is saying in effect then literally that he accepts the jobs program he likes it he applauds it he disagrees with the specific number 12 billion dollars he regards that as inflexible artificial and unrealistic he says in effect we ought not commit in advance to any specific number in a world of changing circumstances it's not good government to fix on a number but the elements of the program the direction of the program the intent of the program he not only accepts he applauds i think it's conciliatory statement i believe that union leadership all across the country will applaud this statement there was consultation indeed with union leaders nationwide but he really isn't saying anything except that he accepts the idea in principle i mean for instance i was just skimming through it and one of the minority reports the kennedy people got in was the statement that jobs unemployment was the number one issue the president seems to repeat his standing that inflation is just as important and nothing that he will do to realize jobs i i respectfully suggest that you have misread the statement the whole intent of the statement well let me make it clear because we were brief and we've spoken to him about this before he agrees that inflation is of course a problem he agrees we do not fight inflation with unemployment he agrees with prior with the priority of jobs and job creation indeed he points out that that was his priority before anybody started talking about a platform that he has had three years of program and has created eight million jobs so he certainly accepts the notion of employment and jobs as a first priority very briefly where does he stand on the fund cut off for anti-era democratic candidates he expresses no disagreement with the

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expresses no disagreement with the minority planks which delights me it means he's all for the two so-called women's planks he did take the occasion to express his personal feeling against abortion and funding of medicaid abortion but that's irrelevant to the platform he accepts the platform lieutenant governor mario cuomo i think there'll be arguments about your interpretation but thanks very much during the pennsylvania delegation of joe mahoney of the afl-cio in pennsylvania a key not only a key union figure but a key political figure he's in charge of the political organization the afl-cio the kind of man jimmy carter has to have behind him during the fall presidential campaign if labor is going to campaign effectively for the president for the carter mondale ticket he has just gotten a copy of the president's statement on the controversial point number three that is the kennedy 12 billion dollar job program this is a president carter's reaction to it can labor accept this it's on quick summary i just have it only a couple of moments it appears that reading this language at first blush he says i accept and support the intent behind the report and i plan to pursue the policies and will implement its spirits and aim then getting down to the key figure on money it seems not to

read the whole thing he says the amounts needed to achieve our goal will necessarily depend upon economic conditions what can be effectively applied over time and the appropriate concurrence of congress is he it appears at first blush to say that he accepts the report and he's saying that when it comes to the amounts it will be the amounts that congress will appropriate and he'll go along with those aims as economics required at that moment in the economy in other words that if congress were to legislate this kind of a program he's in effect saying he would not veto us the appropriate concurrence by congress seems to say that

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seems to say that he's in favor of our aims that he wants to end the recession he wants to have the implementation and he says he'll go along with congressional concurrence on the amounts so at first reading and i understand you just received this two minutes ago you feel you can live with this i feel that we have a substantial victory that we've strengthened the democratic plank and do you feel you can camp do you feel afl-cio labor can campaign enthusiastically for carter i feel that we can now tell our people at least in pennsylvania a large industrial state with a lot of unemployment that the president our candidate is going to support our aims and intentions and he intends to try to implement it as necessary thank you very much joe mahoney of the afl-cio in pennsylvania now let's go over to tom petty thank you very much derek we're in the midst of a mob scene here and eleanor smile president of the national organization of women is here you didn't cause all this no this is quite something else you have seen what the president said yes i've just seen it and your understanding of what he said is my understanding is that he is supporting the platform on the equal rights amendment and it appears to me that he is also uh accepting that he says he has a personal opposition on the abortion issue however he appears to be accepting it also well now speaking for yourself how's the party platform speaking for yourself and for your organization is this acceptable well the statement is clearly um supporting the platform and we feel that we had a very big victory yesterday and we are glad that he has accepted that is this acceptable to you now when you say acceptable we obviously wanted him to accept the platform and that is what he has done as an organizational position what we're going to do now is take the events of the last few days and evaluate them the idea of withholding

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evaluate them the idea of withholding support from candidates who don't back the era is a dead one now yes and it appears that the president is going to accept that part of the platform he says that he is proud of the endorsement of the era has been given in this platform i just like to make one thing clear all this noise around here has been caused and we also have what the president said in this document which now has even reached the booths in this convention hall on the mx bomber the platform uh did not say that it was opposed to the mx the uh carter forces won that one but the president nevertheless says that i will proceed with the deployment of the mx mx missile in cooperation with the congress we'll have more on the mx missile issue after this at this hour the democrats are preoccupied with president carter's statement just delivered to the hall a few minutes ago giving his views on the platform saying what he thinks about it what he will observe in it and what he is uneasy about one thing he on the abm anti-ballistic missile he says since his plank in the platform was carried by the convention he will go ahead with the installation of the abm of the amex missile i mean uh secretary of defense harold brown is here on our balcony talking with marvin calp marvin secretary brown i wonder if we could start with a couple of personal comments for example this is i understand your first convention first that i have seen other than on television marvin do you feel comfortable making the rounds in this way from one booth to another well i'm not unaccustomed to uh spending time with the networks so that's not new to

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with the networks so that's not new to me what about the idea of taking on what at least the republican national chairman mr brock has called a very unusual and highly political role and perhaps even unprecedented for a secretary of defense what kind of response would you have to that kind of charity i feel

that it's my responsibility to help preserve security of the united states that requires that i explain and defend our defense programs when attacks are made on them partisan or not i have to defend them it is in my judgment particularly important that our military strength not be underrated that's just as important as increasing our military strength which this administration has been doing after coming to office and finding that during the previous eight years the defense efforts and constant dollars have dropped by more than 35 percent [Music] if our military capability is underrated by the soviets that would be very dangerous so i have to respond to that kind of thing and i do it i do it publicly i do it with the congress i do it with the networks and i think it's important to do it at a representative outpouring of the people like this one you know the charge that we've my i and ed musky among others have been political is a rather interesting one i noticed that dr kissinger made it just yesterday now henry kissinger is a an old friend of mine one of the things i like about him is that he has a sense of humor he has a sense of humor about himself and so i'm sure that there was a smile

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and so i'm sure that there was a smile on the face of the matchmaker of detroit when he made that statement i would like to get into this whole business of of the mx inductor personality issue for a moment yes what what uh you said in defense what the administration said this afternoon it's very dramatic language that if we don't have the mx missile deployment the united states will be heading into a nuclear pearl harbor and that would suggest that you really believe that the russians are now planning some kind of sneak nuclear attack on the united states i did not say and i did not it was in the four-page statement that accompanied the president i didn't i did not imply and the president does not believe that the soviets are necessarily planning an attack on the united states we do know that in recent years some soviet military doctrine has suggested that they think a nuclear war can be won it's very important that we structure our forces and make clear our doctrine in a way that convinces the soviets the nuclear war cannot be won do you believe that it can be one no i believe it cannot be won but we're not trying to deter me from an attack on the united states we're trying to deter the soviets from an attack on the united states for that reason we need survivable forces we have some now but one element of our retaliatory capability has been eroded the minuteman by a big soviet buildup of nuclear missiles we need to make it survivable the way to do that is to make it mobile that provides us insurance in case some of our other nuclear forces become vulnerable as the fixed land-based missiles have mr secretary let me ask you about a the republican platform which calls for quote military superiority as a goal of american policy over the soviet union

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soviet union do you believe that that goal is an achievable goal a realistic goal for the united states it is not feasible for the united states or for the soviet union to gain overall military superiority across the board if the other side devotes its efforts to seeing that that doesn't happen that's why an attempt at across the board superiority is bound to lead to a wasteful unproductive arms competition which would not include in improve our security and would in the end prove dangerous especially of course if it were accompanied by a 30 tax cut making less money available but even putting that aside such an arms competition would not benefit us we need to be unsurpassed in our military capability and that is the intention of the administration that means that in some areas naval forces for example where we depend on that more than the soviets we need to be ahead we need to have essential equivalence in strategic forces but we don't have to match them tank for tank or gun for gun and we have no intention of doing so defense secretary harold brown thank you very much for joining us up here on the nbc porch and we'll go down to the floor now to tom brokaw well marvin kell i'm with senator sam nunn of georgia a key democratic senator on the armed services committee and a man very much interested in military affairs one of the republicans i think was bill bronco was saying earlier that he was astonished that president carter even let this mx issue come before the convention do you think it was a good idea to have a vote on it among these organs well the mx is going to take quite a while to build i think the fact that the democratic convention went on record in favor of it supported the president is very

important something that would take only one year to implement is not so important to the convention go on record because congress is not directly plugged into a convention but it reflects public sentiment and the mx is going to take a long-term sustained

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sustained and very expensive commitment so i do believe it was important senator you pay very careful attention to these defense matters are you happier with the republican platform which is a lot tougher in terms of defense than the democratic platform i think we've got a long way to go and i'm pleased the democratic platform has moved so far from 1976 i think it's healthy for the country that both platforms are much stronger than they were four years ago and i also believe that the essential thing for the nation after these conventions are over and after the election is over is for us again to form a bipartisan approach to national defense and foreign policy this country doesn't have the margin of error to have squabbles over foreign policy for the next decade nor do we have the margin for error to continue to try to point fingers at each other on defense policy one of the places uh president carter is taking some heat of course is that he has not adhered to the platform of four years ago when he said he would cut back on defense spending when he was opposing the b1 and so on now he's doing more what you like i'm glad the president did not completely carry out the 1976 platform i think it would have been daryl he would have been derelict in his duty to the country had he done so once he got in office and saw the real problems dunesbury today was reporting that nbc was saying that the georgia delegation will stay with jimmy carter is it fair to say that still tonight i don't think any doubt about it all right thank you senator thank god to have that confirmed now let's go to david senator sam nunn of georgia talking to tom brokaw we now have the president's reactions and comments and editorial reflections on the democratic platform so far as we've heard here except for william winpasinger of the machinist union who i don't think would like anything carter did and i think that's the only real objection we've heard from the floor and around isn't it john i don't remember any other i think the main thing is what's happening over at the waldorf i was about to say that's the one reaction we haven't heard yet and there really isn't any necessity for senator kennedy to react to this particular paper there was a deadline that the president had he had to get it in here

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to get it in here the platform was approved about 6 30 the podium received a document somewhere around 8 30. i think that's probably tolerable within the rules but the president was under an urgent deadline senator kennedy has until tomorrow if he likes to say i will go along with the president's statements on the platform or not he has the time to sleep on it if he chooses or he could come out and make a statement tonight that he either accepts or rejects that will be an important moment for the president it seems to me the uh they are depending on senator kennedy to help in the campaign and to appear here in a show of unity and senator kennedy at the moment is in what i believe people sometimes call the cat bird seat or the driver's seat well we'll be back with more more of this after after this [Music] oh hi betty hi wanna borrow some triscuit they're right behind you pass me a box too marty called he's bringing some guests hey try one okay what do you think great huh these triscuit wafers are really something like a whole snack menu in one box i don't know about you but i use nabisco's triscuits with anything hot or cold they're so firm and crunchy oops gotta go he's on time for once don't forget your triscuits mr chairman the delegate from new york life wishes to give the delegates say new york life yes sir and what is new york life mr chairman since 1845 our company has insured 11 american presidents seven in this century life insurance is a personal matter it's a family matter and we vote for the candidates who choose new york life for family protection can they do that [Music] i'm the big cheese around here look at

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i'm the big cheese around here look at these badges i got this one for making a necklace out of garlic of course after that i was alone for weeks out here i bring along the big cheese cheeto snacks they're made with real cheese delicious mr fenton can we climb the mountain now how about some cheetos oh boy

cheetos i got this one for thinking fast cheetos brian cheese flavored snack david there aren't too many members of congress here most of them have stayed away for fear of uh bad political vibes they're afraid that if they associate themselves too closely with the carter administration they will lose whether they are right or wrong that's what they think but there are members of the president's family there are a couple of them right there three this is carter coming into the hall a lot of people standing right down there at the far end i think we were estimating earlier are counting earlier there were 20 members of the carter family here tonight might be 21 the philly is not here well as there were a number of kennedys sitting right in that part of the hall i believe last last night first two rows we remind you that the president is not going to be here tonight it is his name that is being put in nomination and that will be coming along fairly shortly the way they're getting through the uh getting through the program if you tune in late the president will be the second to be put in nomination the first will be representative ronald ellis congressman of california berkeley [Music] who i think will make a speech and then withdraw [Music]

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the hall is filled with those green balloons you keep saying green having been the carter campaign color since the very beginning [Music] white letters on a green background did you say they took a survey to find the public reaction color reactions and decided on this you did you say the carter people took a survey to decide on this i believe about four or five years ago it was decided by the carter campaign for president committee then that green was a psychologically acceptable color and that it matched psychological perceptions people ought to have about someone running for president and so that's why we had the original advertising of the private campaign i suppose five years ago was that caller green red white and blue are the favorite colors in political campaign i always thought they thought it suggested uh spring renewal outdoors freshness newness something like that anyway that's certainly what they're emphasizing here the freshness and renewal of a new fighter administration four more years the chance to grow the last time that phrase was heard is was when nixon was running for a second term remember four more years amy mrs carter sitting in the vip outlet box at the far end of the hall that is far from the speaker's roster as you stand on the roster this these seats are to your left all right we're going down the floor now um talking again about the equal rights administration which has been so important to the 50 percent of the delegates to this convention who are female uh garrett cutley has a guest there

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uh garrett cutley has a guest there with the illinois delegation somewhere here with the balloon the clapping delegates with monroe flynn a member of the illinois state house of representatives now mr flynn one of the amendments one of the planks in the party platform says that any democratic candidate who does not support era is not going to receive financial support from the democratic national committee he will not receive technical support now you have voted against era six times the most recent time just this past summer what do you think of this well i think the uh the platform plank just purely stinks they don't give us money anyhow uh they don't give us any other kind of support they've got the cart ahead of the horse we support the democratic national committee and there are hundreds of state legislators around the country that vote to represent their constituency and vote against the era and i think there's a slap in the face of people like us i i'm sorry that the carter administration didn't see fit to repudiate the plank they just said they were for era and that's just fine you know those of us who don't support era still support the democrat party and i think i'm going to continue to do so but i as i say i consider this a slap in the face of all the legislators around the country who see fit to represent their constituency illinois has been a key state in the world it's the largest uh northern industrial state it has not seen fit to uh ratify the equal rights amendments and if the vote comes up again you will vote against the era continue to vote for my consistency and vote against the era so long as they tell me that's what they want me to do so you won't miss the money from the democratic national well i never got anything to start with so i don't you don't miss anything i never got thank you very much monroe flynn from illinois i'm up here with christy hefner vice president of playboy enterprises and it is the same hefner family she is the daughter of hugh hefner and been working very hard on the era plank and also in the abortion plank here as an alternate illinois delegation are you happy with president carter's

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are you happy with president carter's statement well i'm very pleased that he is reinforced his own commitment to ratification and i think that that's going to be well received by the delegates at marriage uh i of course was aware ahead of time that the president although supporting the supreme court decision defending the right of a woman to choose an abortion has always opposed federal funding so it doesn't surprise me that he reiterated it i suppose i would have most liked him to go on to say that he did respect uh and support the platform since it was so overwhelmingly ratified by the delegates but generally i think that his reaction to the platform and the platform itself is going to be good and give us a good start in november thank you very much chris hefner now let's go to david brinkley thank you we're going to leave the convention hall briefly and go to washington where uh i believe senator nancy casabaum of kansas is talking with bill monroe they have been together they're watching what is happening here in new york and i believe she may have some comments about it bill thank you david yes chairman brock of the republican party is also with us senator casselbaum the women at the democratic convention seem to feel they have obtained a great deal they seem to be quite satisfied your party declined to endorse the era this year after being for it for many years you personally for the era do you think the women in the democratic party are getting ahead of the republican women i don't really think so bill of course while i was disappointed that it was not reaffirmed in the platform of the republican party i think that both conventions are missing a bet an understanding that as a matter of fact it's at the state level now this is where it has to be ratified and it will not be successful unless three more states ratify it and so no matter what might be said in a platform

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platform it's going to be the action taken by the state legislatures that will assure a ratification i think that i personally feel that it was a mistake to try and and push a plank whereby a candidate would be denied money uh if they do not support the equal rights amendment that doesn't really speak to equalities i i don't believe president carter apparently has not quite gone along with that he has said neither a nor nay to that plank so he's sort of skirting that issue but doesn't that not indicate a strength of conviction on the part of the democrats to deny money to a particular candidate who is anti-era well i how fair is that i think personally as a woman i would want to fight it fair and square and i wouldn't want to be given undue advantage in having money just go to a candidate who is going to support the equal rights amendment it's retribution that i don't think would be successful how do you think these women's issues are going to cut politically chairman brock well i think both parties have sufficiently stated a strong conviction for equal rights for women but that it may not be a major fact in the campaign i think the the larger problem though is that this does indicate when the democrats say that we're not going to support a candidate in our own party who doesn't hew the line 100 on a particular issue that single issue politics with a vengeance and to have it take over national policy demonstrates i think the real true divisions that exist within the democratic party they the coalitions are falling apart they're now insisting that you've got to be 100 pure you got to fit a litmus test or you can't belong to the democratic party you're not going to keep a majority party if you continue to fragment and that in that sort of a way i think we feel we've made a pretty good statement with our platform but we also allowed uh myself and people like nancy

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like nancy to take a position that may be different from some other republicans we we're we're individuals we respect that thank you very much republican chairman bill brackman senator casselbaum of kansas now back to madison square garden back in madison square garden john they're about to introduce willie nelson to sing the national anthem i believe he is a favorite of yours he is indeed i think he's one of the great country singers in the united states and i'm not alone in that i think he was the most popular country entertainer of the year last year a bit of an unorthodox fellow to say the least a bit of an unorthodox fellow the speaker is introducing him listen to the listen to the applause from the audience willie nelson it's a room full of john chancellor there he is have a look at it he's wearing his outfit [Applause] can you see by the dawn's early

light what so proudly we have as the twilight's last week whose bright stars and broad stripes through the perilous fight gave proof through the night that our flag was still there oh say does that star spangled banner yet way from the land of the free and the home of the grace

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to lead us in the pledge of allegiance i am proud to present to you ms sylvia rodriguez delegate from texas will everybody remain standing i pledge allegiance to the flag of the united states of america and to the republic for witness one nation under god indivisible with liberty and justice for all and soon the nominations will begin we'll be back with more coverage of the democratic national convention after this the nominations will begin shortly there's a little more ceremony in the meantime we're going down to the podium to jessica savage who is having a nice friendly little chat with the secretary of commerce jessica david we are we're chatting about uh the platform president carter's statement on the platform and when members of the cabinet saw it this is secretary of commerce philip klutznick mr secretary when did you see the platform the platform i saw just as soon as it was completed in the committee performance before it came here and what about the president's statement on it i didn't see that until this evening and your comments

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your comments well i think the president has stated the responsibility of a president under our constitution the congress under our constitution and has given general and i think very healthy support to the principles of the platform throughout what about jobs the president does not set a a jobs program a number for a jobs program such as senator kennedy suggested in the commerce area the jobs employment impacts greatly how will this affect the fall campaign well as far as jobs are concerned there there's a lot of programs in the work already on jobs and they're very important programs and the effect of them will not be known for a few months the president has always been a compassionate man and i have complete confidence that whatever is needed to avoid the adverse effects of unemployment will happen but any no one today can predict how successful these efforts are going to be and if they're successful the demand will be less and i don't think the president or the congress can commit itself in absentia as it seems from all of the pertinent facts you're from the chicago area i know that you were out there during the campaign organizing heavily for president carter i assume that you will be working in the industrial states for the president in the fall campaign there are a lot of unemployed people out in that area how will the the president's campaign play in that area now there is today nearly eight percent unemployed there may be a bit more before months pass aren't you worried that might lose it for the president and they will turn to ronald reagan well the simple fact is that that unemployment is sectoral and industry-wise the fact is also that 90 of the declines that have taken place in our gross national product have

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place in our gross national product have been in two industries [Music] automobiles and housing and both of them are beginning to show a resuscitation very quickly if the president were running today if the election were held today could he win it in the areas in the industrial midwest that you will be working he would have a hard fight today we'll have a heart fight throughout the period and i think it's good for the country that we make these issues clear secretary of commerce phillip putznick now to tom petty thank you jessica here with governor richard reilly of south carolina who is chairman of the drafting subcommittee the platform committee governor is this committee's report as modified much different from what you left washington with when you completed in fact is it much different well i don't think so i think the uh the details uh differ somewhat but i think the principles are basically there and uh i think the president as he indicates uh uh he can run on this platform and i think he can win on the platform well what appears if he's saying he can run on just about everything except the 12 billion dollars in terms of money for jobs now that means a lot to many of these delegates how how will that go when that finally comes up well i think his statement in response to that time was certainly a clear statement of intent that in terms of principle uh he would see to it that his program was consistent with that intent of that platform but the kennedy people really wanted that number 12 billion in

there governor they wanted the 12 billion in there but this will be a much more effective a long-term and effective uh infusion into the economy the president doesn't want to have an infusion just during the political season that would be over within two or three months and run inflation back up and this thing this document is finished xerox printed out do you think that will unify all the elements in the house here tonight

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tonight i think it certainly has the capability of doing it and now it's up to the people themselves if they want to be unified it's there to unify them governor ryan thanks thank you sir see you later and i'll go to chris wallace you know with these conventions we talk to a lot of delegates who are politicians or union officials and right now we're going to talk to a delegate who's just a a regular person steve gagg is a railway janitor from missouri who's quite frankly afraid that he's about to lose his job and he's been waiting all day to find out what jimmy carter would say about the economic planks steve what do you think of the president's response well it's a lot of fluff it doesn't it did not come out and say i will support the platform as recommended by the the delegates at the convention i was here last night and i heard it it was a definite affirmation of that very strong jobs program and what he's come out with is very weak and substantial and it doesn't talk about what we said last night and i'm concerned from not only my job but a member of the union a large union a lot of our members are out of work it's not strong enough you and a lot of other delegates here are talking about taking drastic action tomorrow tell me about it well i'm a democrat but i'm also i came here uncommitted and i wanted to make sure i wasn't for a candidate i was for a position my main position was jobs when that position did not get across even though we mandated it i made the decision just when this came out that i would have to make sure that the president knew that i didn't like what he did so what are you gonna do i'm gonna walk out tomorrow with i hope several other people who feel the same way i do what do you think that'll accomplish it i think it'll let the president know that we were very serious when we voted on those proposals last night and that he better reconsider what he did some people would say that you're going to help throw the election to ronald reagan and he'd be even worse for you i'm a democrat i will campaign for president carter i will be on the streets i do not want reagan reagan is the enemy reagan if we explain the proposals that

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reagan if we explain the proposals that we passed on the floor we will win in november but you're not going to be in this hall tomorrow i will i will be walking out when president carter goes to make a speech speak out thanks very much just a few steps up for you chris and the main delegation of governor joseph brennan of maine the only governor at this convention who came here supporting senator edward kennedy and along with 10 other members of the main delegation a delegation that was evenly split between carter and kennedy delegates earlier today governor brennan you said that you would put yourself and your kennedy supporters on hold as to how you would vote tonight until you had seen carter's response on the platform particularly the economic provisions you've seen it now how are you going to vote well i'll be supporting potter and wandel tomorrow tonight i'll be supporting senator kennedy as a tribute to him for articulating the heart and soul of the democratic party that mean the carter position paper tonight was not enough for you well generally the president supported the platform i would like to have him supported what the people supported here last night but i'll be fighting for the card of mondale ticket in the fall but tonight it's for kennedy tonight i'll be supporting teddy kennedy thank you very much governor brennan of maine now up to david franklin john we've heard a number of people on the floor saying that for one reason or another they plan to walk out at one point or another if this occurred in a lecture hall or a church or some place where people were seated neatly and in orderly fashion it would make a little show in this convention hall where the isles are always filled with people milling around coming and going i'm not sure if you walked out anybody would notice did any you would make any show at all well you could call for a voice vote and everybody could vote on it you couldn't tell which ones were the delegates then at all you were saying something david that i thought was quite interesting about the idea of cutting off democratic party funds or candidates who in the who let's see the platform now says that it's the

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says that it's the the party ought not to it doesn't absolutely mandate that it seems to me although i guess it'll have to go through it the i'm just talking about the language the party should not give money or campaign assistance or campaign assistance to any candidate who has voted against era or has taken the anti-era position well i think what no one has thought about or at least i haven't heard anyone discuss is the fact that the only people voting on era these days are members of state legislatures and they don't get any federal money anyway they get nothing from washington members of congress who do get some money raised by their parties uh voted on era a long time ago years ago and uh it is no longer an issue in congress so i can't see that really makes a great deal of difference it may be if a member of a state legislature who has voted against era decided he wanted to run for congress maybe then they could deny him money but except for that i don't see how it would have any effect well as monroe i can't remember his last name monroe flynn in the illinois delegation who apparently is a state legislature he said it stinks but it isn't going to affect me right because he gets nothing in that's right we'll be back with more after this [Music] the third candidate going back some weeks some months the third candidate in the democratic primaries this year was governor brown of california he wasn't doing too well so he dropped out in april dropped out of the presidential race he's here tonight about to speak fellow democrats citizens of this country

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country last night as i watched this convention respond to senator kennedy's call for economic justice [Applause] i myself felt the deep spirit of the democratic party we all owe senator kennedy a debt of gratitude [Applause] not only for his moving speech last night but for a long career dedicated to the cause that binds all of us together i remember president franklin roosevelt's words the test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much it's whether we provide enough for those who have too little i couldn't help thinking as i looked at the faces of this convention this is america these are the people from north and south and east and west that mirror the country itself the diversity the robust energy no person can carry the vision of this nation all of us must contribute his or her own individual part i've seen campaigns as a candidate i've seen the workings of government as a chief executive and i know that it is the spirit the power of all of us joined together which will bring to be that which we have given ourselves to accomplish the mission of this nation will not be achieved by one but all of us serving a common cause as delegates you have already shown that our platform the statement of our cause comes not from the top but from the floor of this convention how different this process from that

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how different this process from that which we saw in detroit as democrats we are a party of the many not of the few our principle is inclusion theirs is exclusion we seek not only liberty but equality that all may be free and non-forgotten do not be fooled by those false prophets who would tell you little difference separates our party from theirs our nominee from ronald reagan do not forget that ronald reagan was nominated by and is ultimately accountable to the party of nixon and ford the party of hoover and calvin coolidge the party of warren horning and william mckinley this is not our party this is not you our nominee will come from this convention and be accountable to you the party of john kennedy and lyndon johnson of franklin roosevelt and harry truman this is the party of conscience the party of vision the party of the future ronald reagan quotes the words of roosevelt but forgets these of abraham lincoln in his second address to congress president lincoln spoke as follows the dogmas of the quiet past are inadequate to the stormy present the occasion is piled high with difficulty and we must rise with the occasion as our case is new so we must think and act anew we must disenthrall ourselves and then we shall save our country just as during the civil war the character of this nation is being tested and no retreat to the past will bring us through now is not the time for a candidate and a party that refused to recognize the

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that refused to recognize the constitutional rights of over 50 percent of the people rather it's a time for a

candidate and a party that will vigorously relentlessly at last bring the ratification the equal rights amendment [Applause] now is not the time for a candidate in a party that refused to commit themselves to labor law reform rather it's the time for a candidate and a party which recognize that our capacity to prosper depends on a partnership with labor with business and with government and that requires strong laws that make collective bargaining effective now is not the time for a candidate and a party that oppose what teachers across this land have strived for decades to create a department of education rather it is time for a candidate and a party that understand that our future is in our classroom today and our greatest glory is the free universal system of public education [Applause] and in this regard the day will soon come from coast to coast that teachers share in the governance of education through a framework of free collective [Applause] bargaining now is not the time for a candidate and a party that believe the only long-term term threat to the survival of our country comes from one particular nation five thousand miles away rather it is time for a candidate and a

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rather it is time for a candidate and a party which sensed the profound change to be wrought by the addition of two billion additional citizens to this earth within the next twenty years how will we as but four percent of the world's teeming population prosper past the next four or five democratic conventions will the kemp roth free lunch save us a republican program that will give to republican nominee ronald reagan 90 times more actual tax relief than to the average american where we prosper as a virtual colony to the rest of the world supplying our young soldiers as mercenaries for the countries that will not defend themselves and supplying raw materials in exchange for imported finished goods of high values such as cars television steel tvs and calculators no 100 times no this party believes we will prosper by consciously setting forth an economic agenda faithful to the democratic tradition that will build for the future not steal from it as a step in that direction it is time to redirect the vast pension funds of this nation to more socially responsible objectives there are there are 650 billion dollars in deferred wages earned by the working men and women of this country this is the single most significant source of investment capital for the decade of the eighties it is larger than the budget of the federal government and will grow to nearly three trillion dollars in the middle of the next decade as democrats we must devise some creative way consistent with sound

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creative way consistent with sound investment policies to ensure that these funds rebuild and revitalize america contribute to full employment and provide the new technologies that will allow us to maintain and improve the quality of our lives we have not found the jobs for all those who want them because we have not adequately focused on the work that must be done caring for the increased elderly among us preserving and enhancing the natural systems such as the water the soil the grasslands the forests and the fisheries without which life as we know it will cease training and encouraging the most imaginative among us to create the new ideas the innovation that we'll meet not our greed but our need both spiritual and material as a small minority of the world's population we must live by our wits think better and work harder we cannot sustain a way of life that uses one third of the world's basic resources for about a few percent of its people but we can invent new ways to live better we can learn to place quality above quantity and caring above consumption [Music] i share your dream that all americans can advance together but that we do so in a form of regional interdependence i see a type of common market or economic community that will bring along our brothers and sisters who share this land of north america mexicans canadians native americans north and south all are a part of our

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north and south all are a part of our destiny as we are a part of theirs and it's time for us to recognize that the people of north america can prosper together we have the potential technology the environmental resources the people and adequate energy but we will achieve this only as we disenthrall ourselves and save our entire continent we are a country that is growing older and diminishing in size relative to the exploding populations

of mexico africa asia and south america we must see our challenge as not only east west capitalist communist liberty tyranny but we must also see the challenges north south dark and fair-skinned rich and poor hungry and well-fed equality and inequality governor brown who ran in a number of primaries and got one delegate addressing this convention one thing you have to say it seems to me david for uh jerry brown is that the word flake was used by his political opponents and a number of other people i think that's underestimating this politician because as far as i'm concerned he speaks the language and articulates the themes of the 1980s about as well as anybody in the democratic party he raises provocative points documents them and says things that not add that most people in this hall even though democrats would not agree with i remember one in particular this early this year he was talking to a college audience someone said governor what are your views on national health insurance his answer was you get no exercise you eat nothing but junk food you smoke two packs of cigarettes

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food you smoke two packs of cigarettes today and when you get sick you want me to pay for it we'll be back in a moment [Music] just trying to listen to what's happening in the hall there has been a development here not unexpected david what what happened john was that the speaker o'neill tip o'neill announced from the podium that senator kennedy had released his delegates to vote as they please or as he put it to vote their conscience so we'll see how many uh how they vote when the roll call begins rather shortly earlier today there had been some doubt as to how organized labor would react to the proposal by senator kennedy that a 12 billion dollar jobs proposal be included in the platform over the objection of president carter and the carter people were worried about lane kirkland and other labor leaders lane kirkland was saying earlier today that he wasn't sure how he would react to that he said if the president if carter objected to the jobs plank it would make it more difficult to mount a campaign on his behalf and that's very important when it comes from a man as powerful as lane kirkland other people said that the president had told kirkland he would be happy with the statement the president issued tonight and apparently he has been and garrett gutley has that story on the floor yes john and the word came officially here at the ohio delegation via telephone from lane kirkland himself to martin hughes the chairman of the ohio delegation and a high official with international communication workers communication workers of america mark news what did mr kirkland tell you about the president's position his position paper tonight we're very pleased that the president has accepted

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pleased that the president has accepted the principles and objectives of the of the economic plank that we advocated in the platform that was adopted here last night and we will work with the administration within the framework of their new economic policy to put people back to work to create jobs necessary to reduce the unemployment of the united states and we heard that earlier today mr kirkland wasn't quite sure how the what the afl-cio position was going to be but he did meet with the president today that's my understanding he had a discussion with the president earlier today and that means that the afl-cio political arm hope will be working for the carter mondale ticket this fall this gives us the necessary tool to go into the depressed areas of the united states and give a ray of hope to those who have been unemployed for so long contrary to the platform adopted by the republicans in detroit which didn't give any hope to the people that are unemployed in the united states thank you very much martin hughes reporting that lane kirkland president of the afl-cio has now given his formal stamp of approval to the president's economic program now over to tom brokaw pacquidell the president's chief pollster and one of his chief political strategists apparently you've been able to solve what potential labor difficulties you had on this floor tonight with the president's conciliatory statement that's very important to you this fall well it absolutely is we would have a very tough contest if we were unable to gather the basic constituency of the democratic party particularly labor together and we've always expected we would but i think this whole process has actually helped facilitate that particularly with the uaw and the afl-cio as you look toward the fall let's talk first of all about geography what parts of the country were you well obviously the uh we've got to win our base the south i mean uh you've got to go home

and take care of that we won almost all the electoral votes except those in virginia in 1976 we need to do something similar that this year the next uh we've got to come out of the industrial states in the northeast which is the other part of the democratic base

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is the other part of the democratic base with uh enough those big states to get us near a majority and pick up some of the small states in the west to west coast and in the northeast but you've got your biggest troubles aren't you in the industrial northeast where they've got real economic problems and i'm talking about including ohio and that as well well in the industrial belt we've got some problem they're always tough toughly contested hotly contested states uh we've got problems there but so does reagan i mean that's as weak as part of the country for ronald reagan as well uh and probably uh that they're fundamentally democratic areas uh we're hopeful that uh by time it's decided in those states in november that we're gonna walk off with most of those states what is going to be in the president's speech tomorrow night that will bring the kennedy people into the carter camp well i think that if you you know i think if you take a cue from senator kennedy's speech last night what we discover is that the differences no matter how hotly their debated democratic party are pretty mind skill when you start looking at the gulf that separates these democrats here from ronald reagan and his republicans and i think the president is going to accentuate the fact that those differences exist but i don't want to give away the speech but i think everybody here will feel that that this is a part of united when he's finished and with a mission to do in this election then we're going to do it thank you very much patrick goodell now let's go to judy woodruff who is out where patrick goodell normally works that is the carter trailer operation judy tom we're standing here next to the carter press trailer with stuart eisenstein who is the president's chief domestic affairs adviser mr eisenstein a few minutes ago one of a member of the president's cabinet told me that he considered the new this language that the president is accepting on the jobs program a major change in policy for the administration well i think what it represents is the fact that the president's been working now for several months on an economic recovery program because he's been concerned with the same problems of joblessness and recession that i think the convention was concerned about when it supported minority report number three we're going to be presenting an economic recovery program to the country it will be one that will deal with the recession and also deal with the long-term problems of the absence of capital investment the

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of the absence of capital investment the absence of productivity and savings so we'll both deal with the recession and with our long-term programs that will be a continuation of policy but it will take us in the same direction that minority plank number three supported by senator kennedy although through a different approach was trying to take the convention after so many months of saying that the 12 billion dollar figure was too much too inflationary how can you turn around in a day on this we're not we have the same view with respect to the 12 billion spending program we do not think that a 12 billion dollar spending program enacted this year is appropriate for dealing with the problems that we have we think that our approach which will be a combination of tax incentives and some public investment programs is a less inflationary way of dealing with the same problem that that 12 billion dollar program was dealing with ours will not be a 12 billion dollar spending program i think the best way to put it is we have a different approach to try to solve the same problem and to achieve the same result as senator kennedy's 12 billion dollar program but it will not be the same program so you're moving down the road with senator kennedy we're talking with stuart eisenstein near the carter trailer area now to tom pettitt who's on the floor judy thank you the vice president son ted is here visiting with friends in minnesota and elsewhere around the hall we've been hearing a good deal of talk about platform money for jobs the various formulas that kennedy carter people have been haggling over ted you're what 22 years old 22 yes do you think all of these platform issues mean a thing to kids your age of course they're very important everybody uh looks at the platforms and see what they have to say and i think you know issues like the era etc etc are one of the main things uh students my age are gonna make their mind up to see who they're gonna vote in the fall what about the draft well i think most students and i've seen polls saying that majority of the students in the country

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majority of the students in the country favor the draft do you think students are interested in issues is that what you're doing oh yeah student i go all over the countries and i do all the high schools and colleges et cetera et cetera and the student groups are so interested in the issues and i think that's the reason why students get out and vote and i think that's the reason why we're going to win in the fall well you've learned how to make a political speech i guess hey would you well you never know that speech class 101 at the university of minnesota sure helps thank you ted thank you now to david there is rampant inactivity on the podium there is in fact nothing going on on the podium and here's why the new rule voted well voted today when they passed the platform specifies that each nominee each person whose name is to be placed in nomination must give a written statement of his views on a platform saying if he accepts it or not and if not why and what he doesn't accept and so on it also says this full written statement must be distributed by the secretary of the democratic party to all delegates not later than two hours prior to the placing and nomination of the first presidential candidate well our best information is that the carter statement of his views on the platform reached the podium down here at 8 30 which is the first time we had any news about it the delegates are complaining that it is not has not yet been two hours and that some of them say they have not seen the carter statement yet at all and so there's a delay because of that the parliamentarians are discussing it trying to decide what to do they don't don't want to waste a half hour of everyone's time of television time carter people suspect there is some hanky-panky that the kennedy people want his nomination to be put late beyond prime time now we're going down to the podium where jessica savage has been keeping up with all of this and maybe she can tell us more jessica

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maybe she can tell us more jessica david your explanation there is pretty fairly on target only it goes a little bit stronger than that it's not a suspicion that the carter nomination might be kept out of prime time there are kennedy people behind us here on the podium i think you can see it's a great big huddle a lot of activity going on these people here are arguing and they're arguing about the rule that you talked about the statement was delivered at 8 29 the podium people say carter's statement on the platform they're supposed to be two hours a full two hours under the rules that would mean that the delhi's nomination would come instead of 10 o'clock it would come maybe 10 30 maybe quarter to 11 might take a half hour more at any rate the bottom line would be in fact president carter's name would not be placed in nomination in primetime television i overheard a kennedy staffer over there say look we're going to stick to the rules that's the way it's going to be and a carter person say to him look last night was senator kennedy's night tonight is president carter's night let's let the president's name be put in nomination fair is fair let's come to some sort of an equitable agreement well the chair will rule in this now whether the chair will decide as speaker o'neill did last night to get on with the action and let's let the bygones be bygones and let's let president carter get nominated in prime time or whether the kennedy people will prevail and the rules will be adhered too strictly which would make carter's nomination come at about maybe 11 30 quarter 12 we don't know that's what that argument is on going on behind us we'll check it out and when we find out exactly how this turns out we'll get back to you jessica savage on the podium now back to john chancellor jessica let me interrupt a second and point out there's a certain degree of east coast bias in this prime time where prime time in the east or prime time in california in the west coast it's only ten after seven in california it's a long way till the end of prime time among the other complexities of this evening here in the eastern time zone in new york city is the fact that everybody's waiting to see what senator kennedy will say about the statement on the platform

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about the statement on the platform drafted by president carter kennedy spokesman richard drain said tonight that kennedy is drafting a statement and bob kerr has more john you you really can never tell what senator kennedy is going to say until he says it but i can tell you this much a senior kennedy aide has told me that senator kennedy in about 10 or 15 minutes will issue in all likelihood a written statement expressing support for president carter the senior aide says it will most probably be a statement of support for the

president he does say there are two versions of a statement being studied he's not sure which one the senator is going to go with but that whichever one it is it will be 10 to 15 minutes from now there is a subject uh under debate in the kennedy suite i'm told by this senior aide and that subject is whether the senator will stay in town once he delivers a statement if indeed it is a statement of support i was told a week or two ago that one of the things that the senator was considering is instead of making an appearance with president carter on thursday night he would issue some sort of statement of support and then feel free enough to leave town that i am told is a strategy which is now under debate in the kennedy suite several floors above me here at the waldorf astoria the kennedy staff and the senator have been closeted up there for about four and a half hours food and drink were sent in a short time ago and uh they've obviously been working on this most of this evening john back to back back to david now over at madison square garden doesn't make that much difference bob thank you keep on top of it and keep us informed if you will where we stand at the moment is they've told a band to play and they're playing some light summary heirs to entertain the delegates while nothing else is happening in the hall nothing is happening because as as you have heard there is a dispute about a rule the rule says that the the carter statement on the platform must be received by the delegates two hours before anybody is put in nomination

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nomination two hours will be at 10 30 eastern time 20 minutes from now speaker o'neill is lounging in a chair looking very comfortable maybe slightly perplexed whatever is done well he will have to do it because he is running the convention at the moment he has a number of people around him waving their hands giving him advice asking him questions he maintains a judicial mean as he does in the house of representatives where he is speaker and whatever they decide you will hear it as soon as anyone else does he may be uh saying what am i doing here he's had that sort of look on his face for a while that one great complexity if i may mention it only briefly is that there are 3 331 delegates out there this place is jammed to deliver 3 331 separate mimeographed copies or whatever they do these days of a four or a five page statement with a covering statement on top of it is a logistic job that couldn't be done it within an hour or so not unless you distributed them outside of the hot dog stand yeah they mostly are we have more on all of this from garrett utley on the convention floor in the maryland delegation john with barbara mikulski from baltimore member of the house of representatives and the woman who was to have placed ted kennedy's name and nomination here that will not happen tonight now there is this delay on the podium before we start the nominations because of this technicality which the kennedy people appear to be insisting on up on the program on the platform that two hours be given uh two hours elapsed through the time the report was formally presented and the nominations start now how long ago did you hear the maryland delegation receive the carter's statement oh i think we received it about an hour and a half ago and you have read it yes i've read it the other delegates have read it as far as i know tell me as a kennedy supporter what do you think of this delay the carter people are saying hey last night was senator kennedy's night um he had his moment in the spotlight tonight should be jimmy carter's night we shouldn't delay the nomination well i i think two things one i think

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well i i think two things one i think they could have gotten the statement here earlier i think it was very craftily timed myself because it was delivered at the most confusing chaotic time in the convention however in all fairness to governor graham and to the process that we must go through this evening i'm all for them being on prime time i probably would not have objected um because we've been so gallant thank you very much barbara mikulski from maryland now back to the booth thank you uh it appears now that they're going ahead without any further delay and we'll be back shortly after this well here in convention hall they have resolved if that's the accurate word the problem about the delay caused by the late delivery to some but certainly not to all the delegates of the president's statement on the platform jessica savage has the details on the podium jessica john this is congressman tom foley parliamentarian up here to the speaker and parliamentarian foley how did they resolve this they decided to just go ahead how was the argument presented on both sides well there was a requirement that technically the distribution on the floor of this present statement be available for

two hours before the first nomination was placed before the convention and both us all sides have just wished to go forward so by unanimous consent mr dellum's nomination was received some very strong objections from the kennedy people well there was some original objection that more time should be allowed before the nominations went forward but it was my understanding that uh senator kennedy's uh feeling that the convention should not be delayed further there were no other compromises made no other concessions senator kennedy all right thank you very much that was congressman tom foley explaining that the everything will go on on schedule in the east and in the west david

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in the east and in the west david thank you the uh placing of the name of ronald dellums in nomination for president has begun on the platform is alice tripp from belgrade minnesota a farmer and of the farmer labor association of minnesota and she is a woman of very strong and openly stated views she believes for example that government and big business are partners in evil she is now nominating ronald dellums a congressman a psychiatric social worker when he was in private life from berkeley california now let's go to the podium from the indians of the black hills from charlotte avenue in the south bronx from all the small towns in this city country this message will not quit it will go on and the sounds of anger and frustration will rise to a crescendo that will shatter the halls of government these reverberations will not shake the rocks of appalachia or change the dry prairies of the west but man-made institutions misused and misdirected will not stand forever against the voices of the unhappy multitude we need candidates who will fight for our survival candidates like ron delaman thank you for the purpose of seconding the nomination of congressman ron dellums i bring to the platform an old friend from massachusetts a fighter for the rights of all people jerome grossman democratic national committee chairman of massachusetts he will also introduce

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of massachusetts he will also introduce representative dallas thank you mr chairman fellow democrats i am honored to second the nomination of representative ronald delam to the presidency of the united states i have long admired his career in congress as a fearless fighter for social justice i have served with him as an officer of the new democratic coalition i know that he shares the concerns of the council for a livable world about the terrible drift toward nuclear war tonight and during the weeks to come the cry will be for the democrats to unite [Music] to defeat the menace of a reagan presidency [Music] but unity will not be obtained by simply patting the delegates on the back or by making cosmetic changes in the platform changes to be ignored as soon as the ink is dry there must be authentic modifications in administration policy if all of the democrats as well as the american people are to renew their confidence in the administration i agree totally with the magnificent statement last night of senator kennedy calling for a renewal of the commitment of the democratic party to economic justice [Applause] this commitment must be extended to a sane nuclear policy a policy that will allow all americans

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a policy that will allow all americans democrats republicans and independents office holders as well as just plain citizens to avoid the catastrophe of nuclear war now what do i mean just last week immediately before our convention in an act of political irrationality a new strategy of nuclear warfare was announced which will affect the lives of all americans and our nato allies to say nothing of the soviets and the other nations of the earth was this announcement made by responsible government officials no was it deliberated by congress no was secretary of state edmund muskey consulted no where were the american people whose lives are hostage to this new policy were they allowed to debate their future no the new policy was handed down to us by a planned press league in the new york times congressman dellums is standing by and will be on the roster in a few minutes in the meantime we'll be back after this [Music] the congressman ronald dellums will be on the podium soon talking about issues of importance to him in what is really a technical placing of his name and nomination he will probably withdraw after making this speech garrett cutley has a delegate of

who knows something about this on the floor garrick yes congressman dillons is talking about blacks minorities jobs the basic economic problems affecting minorities in this country and with me is queasy and fumey a city councilman

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is queasy and fumey a city councilman from baltimore representing the district of 20 unemployment what is your reaction tonight to president carter's letter to the convention about the economic policies which senator kennedy has supported about the fact that the afl-cio has thrown its support behind this economic program you're a kennedy delegate what do you think well i'm extremely and i really mean extremely disappointed with the president's response in terms of the jobs program by refusing to identify or even make mention of a price tag to simply say that he's committed to the same sort of principles i think doesn't go far enough and i think it's that sort of thing that's going to dictate the degree of support that he gets from people who've been disgruntled with him for some time in november now people like the afl-cio leaders organize labor and others say they can get behind the carter mondale tickets jimmy carter is going to be nominated tonight you're a kennedy man you're going to go home what are you going to do during this fall presidential campaign i'm going to sit it out you're not going to campaign for carter no i'm not and tonight who are you going to vote for i plan on voting for senator kennedy of course the statement was read earlier that he's releasing his delegates but our commitment to the senator is an emotional one it goes beyond anything that can be put on paper and so while he may be releasing us we in maryland and people in california new york and elsewhere who've been pledged to the senator won't be releasing him we'll be voting for him tonight thank you very much from maryland now up to david franklin mr dellums congressman from california from berkeley is uh still not on the podium should be along shortly so we'll go to the podium anyway it is now my honor to introduce to you the united states representative from california mr ronald v delhi

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brothers and sisters of the democratic party a number of people have asked why have we attempted to advance this candidacy it's simply to mount this podium to suggest to you number one that we have a moral imperative a political imperative an intellectual imperative to stop ronald reagan and george bush from becoming the president and the vice president of the united states at this critical juncture in the evolution of human life in this country i come from the state of california and i can tell you that it was one thing to have ronald reagan as a governor it's another thing to have ronald reagan as the president but what's terribly important that this convention must address is that you and i stand here at this convention in perhaps the most dangerous moment in modern life it is a time with this country a time when this convention a time when our people must freely discuss the issues of our time i came to this convention advocating that this convention be an open convention so that we could discuss the critical issues that affect human life in this country [Applause] i came to this convention to advocate that we address the human misery of the poverty stricken and the dawn tidy and the disillusions in our society people that are no longer popular to discuss i came to this convention suggesting that a coalition of human beings should advocate that this democratic party should embrace democratic principles and maintain the integrity of a political protest process that suggests that we have a discussion we have a debate you cannot defeat

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we have a debate you cannot defeat ronald reagan by simply being anti-ronald reagan you cannot defeat ronald reagan by moving to the right he must move to the left in this country we cannot defeat ronald reagan by abandoning our ideals we can defeat ronald reagan by having a program that rejects the madness of war that rejects the madness of death and destruction that rejects the madness of a military budget calculated to destroy this nation at an extraordinary moment when there is a rise of the kkk the nazi party racial tension in this country it is that's the democratic party who must provide hope for human beings in america i came to this podium to suggest that there are many who are stating that the right wing is in control of this party i would suggest by virtue of what you did last night it is the liberals and the progressives that are in control of

this party and we must state that to america [Applause] senator kennedy stood here in eloquent and extraordinary terms and embraced the idealism that should be this party and i'm simply trying to suggest to president carter that if we are to defeat ronald reagan you cannot abandon those ideals what senator kennedy was about and what i'm about is what will make this country real speaking to the hopes and the dreams and the aspirations of our people we must reject counter-force policy that brings nuclear war closer to reality we must reject the mx missile as an insane

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insane weapon calculated to spend tens of billions of dollars in this country we must reject the mentality that says we must register and draft our young people to make them cannon fodder and some insane adventurism we must reject the set of economics that trade off the poor and the unemployed for a few tenths of one percent as we fight back inflation it is only when we speak to the idealism of this nation where we survive the fact that senator kennedy captured the imagination of this audience last night was a reality that what american people want are new ideas new orientation a sense of idealism and a sense of hope we will not win in november trying to out reagan reagan let's put extraordinary distance from that reactionary neanderthal mentality that does not speak to what is best for all of us unemployment is real in this country and if we offered 10 jobs 10 000 people would apply for them in the 1960s we would give a few of those jobs to people in the 1970s we would try to determine whether five jobs would be for women five for men two for blacks two for browns one's a red yellow and white but in the 1980s we must ask this question what happened to the jobs for the 99 for whom the door was closed in the 1970s the 1960s were the politics of letting a few in the politics of the 70s were the politics of letting a few in the politics of the 1980s for the democratic party must be the

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for the democratic party must be the politics that lets everyone in in this society black brown red yellow and white gay young old rich and poor that is the hope of america we came to this podium not to offer a personal candidacy but simply to suggest that until last night this platform wasn't relevant to millions of human beings until last night this party was irrelevant to a number of human beings those of you who won the issue last night can take back this party you can win in november you can make any candidate do whatever you want because you're the people you have the power you can take the message to the american people i'd like to finally thank one human being who in my estimation grew in stature as the media attempted to assassinate him that was senator kennedy who tried diligently to force this country to campaign and debate on the critical issues of our time i'd like to thank senator kennedy for reaching out to my heart making me cry my children cry give us a sense of hope in this country that we have not moved to the right and dropped off the face of the earth let us rededicate ourselves in the next few hours of this convention to reject war and accept peace to reject a big military budget and deal with human needs in this country to reject racism and embrace humanity to reject pollution and exploitation of our environment to an ecological orientation to human life i join you in that struggle

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life i join you in that struggle i withdraw my candidacy because i didn't come here to seek votes i came here to seek a platform to energize you and you energize me as we win back our party and win back america congressman ronald vellums who has withdrawn as a candidate admitting that he used this machinery to get a platform to talk to the people of the convention and to those of you in the television audience the next order of business will be placing another name and nomination that of jimmy carter that'll be coming shortly john in the meantime we'll be back after this [Music] and there will be putting the president's name in nomination governor bob graham of florida have not been paying very close attention the american people are going to be presented with a crystal clear choice the choice will be between a man of quiet wisdom and restraint and a man who would buy false respect with easy threats between a man of proven leadership and a man whose

accomplishments in government have yet to be scrutinized between a man whose politics are based on sound information and reflection and a man whose politics and policies are based upon old newspaper clippings carried around in his pocket [Music]

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[Music] [Applause] the man i will nominate [Music] has undertaken one of the weightiest burdens of any leader in history the world is entering the twilight of the petroleum era communist aggression is no longer a yesteryear thing there is not enough food or freedom or compassion to go around within three months of taking office he told us our long neglected energy dilemma was the greatest challenge our nation faced in this new era he said it was the moral equivalent of war few very few people were willing to listen or to help he proposed hard measures conservation the development of alternative energy sources a windfall profits tax when soviet tanks thundered into afghanistan he exercised wisdom restraint and courage [Applause] he imposed the grain embargo and the olympic boycott and the blatant aggression was put before the spotlight a world opinion for all to see when interest rates and inflation began soaring he told us we could not continue to live beyond our means that we were in for a period of austerity he proposed a balanced budget for government and less reliance on credit for our people those decisions took

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our people those decisions took courage to initiate those decisions will take time to bear complete results but even now we're beginning to see the early effects of this quiet determined courage those who said americans were too soft to conserve energy they were wrong we have cut our reliance on foreign oil by a million and one half barrels a day those who said an olympic boycott and a grain embargo would have no effect on the soviets they were wrong the world now understands we are willing to use powerful non-military sanctions to punish aggression [Applause] those those who said recession would be interpretable they were wrong we're beginning to see the economy turn around yes my fellow americans our people will have a crystal clear choice in november [Applause] [Music] the man i will nominate practice the politics of reality in a complex world where there are no easy answers ronald reagan proposes to practice the politics of nostalgia in a make-believe world whose problems are those of a small town in the 1920s ronald reagan says the solutions are

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ronald reagan says the solutions are simple ronald reagan is confused [Applause] the descriptions of the problems are simple not the solutions our energy the dilemma in which we are faced can be framed in a few worlds the blood and bones of long dead dinosaurs and the remains of giant burns which have fermented under the earth's surface for millions of years have begun to disappear their residue fueled the industrial revolution but when the end of the petroleum age loomed on the horizon we were unprepared ronald reagan's simple solution to this basic geological reality is to allow oil companies to grow rich beyond even their dreams his simple solution is to abolish the 55 mile speed limit and waste millions of barrels of oil every year my friends my friends that is not simple that is simple-minded my friends no one disputes that this country has serious economic problems many of them brought about by the increased cost of energy but most of the industrial countries of the world are undergoing similar problems some of them far worse than ours our president could have whispered sweet lies to us but he had the courage to tell us there were

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he had the courage to tell us there were no easy answers ronald reagan's simple solution is something which is ironically called the laffer curve if you want to know what that is about what the laffer curve is it's the economic equivalent of the rabbit in a hat the theory goes something like this the government charges less for the services it provides it will somehow end up collecting more to pay for those services out of another half we are able to grab a balanced budget and out of still another comes increased defense spending my friends that is not simple that is simple-minded our president told us the soviet threat is real that our armed

forces had fallen into disrepair he has reversed a decade-long decline in defense spending he has met the soviet challenge with firmness and restraint ronald reagan says the solution is simple that every challenge should be met with saber rattling confrontation my friends that's not simple that simple-minded [Applause] it is also simple-minded to think you can have equality for women without the equal rights amendment [Applause] it is simple-minded to think you can

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it is simple-minded to think you can gain the confidence of blacks and hispanics and others who have been left out of the american mainstream without inviting them to your convention [Applause] the thing my friends that makes democracy work is that the people of this country are too smart to buy candy-coated answers for cast iron problems the thing my friends that makes the democratic party work is that we know when it's time to stop our squabbling and get behind our candidate that time is now [Applause] another thing my friends that makes this party work is that we've never left anyone out we are the party that labor came to that blacks came to that hispanics and women and teachers and everyone who felt that their voices were not being heard the democratic party has become your party [Music] we are going to need all of you to meet the challenge in november we're going to need senator kennedy we're going to need governor jerry brown we're going to need all the wise warriors of this great party we are going to need them because we've got a fight on our hands and it is a fight that we must win for the people of

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that we must win for the people of america we do not know what kind of issues the next president united states will face and we as americans will face in the next four years neither did our counterparts in detroit the world changes too rapidly to be captured in a crystal ball we cannot foresee the future we can foresee the right man to meet the future fellow americans will we be satisfied with a man of nostalgia and wishful thinking or do we want a man of substance and reality fellow americans will we be satisfied with a man of fear and suspicion or do we want a man of hope and compassion fellow americans will we be satisfied with a man of celluloid bravado or do we want a man of genuine courage we all know the answer the american people will deliver that answer in november members of this convention and fellow americans i am proud to stand before you tonight to nominate a man of reality a man of compassion a man of courage

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a man of compassion a man of courage i am proud to nominate for the president of the united states of america jimmy carter and so the president's name has formally officially been put in nomination before this convention by governor bob graham of florida i thought they were going to let the balloons go now what they're holding on to well they have a according to some schedules david there's a demonstration scheduled after the after all the nominating speeches have been made there are only three uh coretta scott king martin luther king's widow is scheduled next and then saul cheikin the president of the international ladies garment workers area and after that they'll be the roll call of the states which with which time it'll be interesting to see how many of the delegates who came here for kennedy insist on voting for him as they are entitled to do under the rules crowd shouting we want jimmy we want jimmy everybody on their feet

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john i might i would like to recall an interesting historical fitness historical in the sense of being four years old in 1976 jimmy carter was put in nomination by congressman rodino of new jersey by mitch constanza and by representative andrew young four years later rodino is investigating billy carter young has resigned as ambassador in some controversy and mitch constanza has resigned from the white house in anger saying that she was consigned to a small dank office in the basement where nobody ever talked to him now that's four years in the washington steam room king will be along after this demonstration and so will we the first news continues to report the 1980 democratic national convention here is david brinkley those who've been with us in past conventions may may believe that may see that the demonstrations now are much tamer

quieter and less furious than they were in past years partly that is because the democratic party has outlawed demonstrations and outlawed noisemakers tip o'neill the speaker is on the podium now introducing coretta scott king to second the carter nomination [Applause]

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[Music] [Applause] [Music] [Applause] mr chairman my fellow americans i stand before you proudly to second the nomination of a man of peace jimmy carter [Applause] a man who has earned our mandate to lead this nation as president of the united states as martin luther king jr reminded us again and again every political issue has its moral dimension every political campaign turns on a great moral question and in this presidential year that great question is the question of peace on earth the dream the vision of peace on earth is one that you share and i share and it is a vision that jimmy carter shares

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[Applause] it is a vision that addresses the aspirations of all americans and indeed all people on this planet every one of every race and creed of every nation and political system yearns for peace and so we were electrified when jimmy carter helped make peace between egypt and israel and launched and launched a process to build broader peace in the middle east the journey of jimmy carter as president has been a journey of peace that journey brought us to the panama canal because jimmy carter was willing to hammer out a treaty that was a fair solution to an old dilemma america enjoys better relations tonight throughout latin america in southern africa jimmy carter has been a healer identifying with the aspirations of its people for their freedom and supporting majority rule and peaceful transition to independence america enjoys better relations tonight throughout latin america in southern africa jimmy carter has been a healer identifying with the aspirations of its people for their freedom and supporting majority rule and peaceful transition to independence jimmy carter's journey

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to independence jimmy carter's journey of peace led to the psalm 2 treaty a treaty that holds back the nuclear arms race jimmy carter understood that america could not play a role of leadership in the world shut off from the nation of china and opened up new bridges of understanding to one-fourth of the people on this planet we share jimmy carter's journey of peace has led to better more peaceful relations and stronger partnerships with the poor and developing nations in asia africa and latin america president carter has worked to reduce the level of international violence so that nations can get on with the task of producing food educating their children providing health care building homes and creating jobs this president initiated a human rights policy which set out a beacon of light to all people and encourage significant advances towards the protection of human rights in many nations jimmy carter has not led our country down to disastrous down the disastrous road to war and jimmy carter peacemaker helped heal the divisions of the war in vietnam he reached out to thousands of young people who loved their country but opposed that war and allowed them to come home to their friends and families

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jimmy carter embarked on a resolute journey of peace and we are going to continue that journey with him during the next four years and so and so i believe that when the history of our age is written it will be recorded that jimmy carter healer and the leader helped build peace on earth [Music] we must remember however that there can be no real peace without justice and there cannot be justice without peace martin luther king jr told us that injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere [Music] he warned that when the world chooses between peace and war we are choosing between existence and non-existence he saw that there can be no peace in the presence of poverty racism and war the injustice of poverty offers no sense of peace to a hungry child or an unemployed worker the injustice of racism holds out no prospect of peace in the hearts of people of color the injustice of war crushes the longing for peace among those who are bombed or

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peace among those who are bombed or shot or terrorized and yet even the most oppressed of the world's people and rich lands and poor lands in dictatorships and democracies have a vision of peace with justice even the hungry even the sick even the unemployed even the wounded even those who are victims of bigotry and hate even those even these have a vision of peace with justice let us keep alive their vision by supporting a champion of human rights and peace president jimmy carter i know the hurt and pain that afflicts those who do not find the peace i know what violence can do to a family or a people or a nation i know that peace will come to people only when they are free of disease and with president carter we will continue the struggle for adequate health care for all people i know that peace will come only when people have jobs and economic security and with president carter we will continue the struggle for a full employment economy i know i know that peace will come only when all people are guaranteed their fundamental rights as human beings and with president carter we will insist on the full protection of the fundamental rights of all of our citizens i know that peace

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of all of our citizens i know that peace will come only when governments turn away from the path of war and with president carter we will in the next four years keep our nation on the path of peace jimmy carter understands the concept of peace with justice as president he has dealt with the threat of war with calmness with inner strength and restraint he has listened to those who have not yet found peace in their own lives the unemployed the disadvantaged the oppressed he has listened he has acted he has set out on a course to relieve suffering and despair and we will stay on that course with him during the next four years jimmy carter is about to receive the nomination of this party to serve as our president for another term let us remember that the nomination is not enough jimmy carter needs that same coalition that united with him in 1976 on a quest for peace with justice four years ago you and i together built a coalition a coalition of black brown and white old young men and women a coalition of those who were already in positions of influence and people who never before had been included in the councils of decision in power this coalition made jimmy carter our standard bearer and together we marched to victory in 1976

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1976 determined to move our country toward the fulfillment of our goals of peace of justice of equality of opportunity for all we laid the foundation for progressive change at home and peace in the world progress and peace after years of economic drift corruption war and violence no one can pretend that we have solved all the great problems confronting this nation but having set out on our quest we must not abandon it we must not turn our country over to the forces of reaction greed and insensitivity we dare not turn over our future to those who even today campaign in neshobe county mississippi using the code words of states rights for we know that if the great coalition is divided if the great coalition of support for peace with justice is not united it is the frail and the vulnerable who will suffer most and pay the bitter price over the next four years president carter needs our advice he needs our guidance he needs our prayers president carter needs our help our active support as once again jimmy carter becomes our standard bearer for our coalition let us march together again to victory in 1980 so that the quest may continue and the quest will succeed [Applause] then we will know what the scriptures

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then we will know what the scriptures mean let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream blessed are the peacemakers yes with jimmy carter we are marching even tonight marching toward our common vision of peace with justice for all god's children in this world thank you coretta scott king seconding the nomination of jimmy carter for president we'll be back with more convention coverage in a moment it's a fine line that separates a precision writing instrument from an ordinary marker pen this is the precision writing instrument ultra fine flare and this is the fine precise easy to read line that characterizes ultrafine flair ultra fine flair turns words into writing that's remarkably easy to read because ultra fine flair has

a precision plastic point and vivid flare ink ultra fine flare to make your writing easy to read in my next life i'm going to be a man my husband is sitting down watching tv and i have to clean the house the people are coming for dinner that night it might perhaps bring on a headache marty mahoya needs tension headache relief recommendation buffering compared to this extra ingredient brand buffering sends more of the leading pain reliever to the headache in the early minutes much more yet many can take buffering instead of tylenol because it's so protective against aspirin stomach upset the bufferings always seem to work it feels great buffering strong and headaches easy on the stomach here comes

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[Applause] to look their best anywhere top to bottom [Music] band has just finished playing the song of the international ladies garment workers union and its president is now the second the nomination of jimmy carter my great good friend delegates to this great democratic convention brothers and sisters i am the son of immigrant workers born in new york city a resident of massachusetts and texas for many many years i am a union organizer and a union member [Music] peter duchen's band has just finished playing the song of the international ladies garment workers union and its president is now the second the nomination of jimmy carter feel my great good friend delegates to this great democratic convention brothers and sisters i am the son of immigrant workers born in new york city [Music] a resident of massachusetts and texas for many

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and texas for many many years i am a union organizer and a union member and have been for all of my working life and i am proud and honored to second the nomination of jimmy carter who will be the next president of the united states i support the president because he supports those who have the least the poor the working poor the unemployed the people on welfare the aged the exploited and the repressed in any number of areas in the question of minimum wage is in the question of aid to the working poor in the question of food stamps and subsidized household energy he is there when we need him and he is counted among us let me tell you that in all the years that i have served the workers of the ilgwu and by inference many other millions of american workers who work very hard for a meager living this is the one president who helped us to get a minimum wage law through the congress which would set standards of increases for the workers

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standards of increases for the workers in this country who depend greatly on the federal national minimum wage just to get a few more dollars in their pay envelopes before jimmy carter it was a bloodletting procedure in the congress and in the executive branch of the united states to raise the federal minimum wage but here a program was worked out in cooperation with the af of lcio and other interested citizens in this community to set a basis for increases and improvements so that the minimum wage legislation would carry forward the pay of the least fortunate of all of us starting at 2.65 an hour with increases to 3.35 cents an hour this is not a great amount of money hardly enough to live on but we avoided the annual and triennial and quadriennial fights with a congress over essential wage standards no parent whose family depends on food stamps will be torn with anguish at the end of each month no longer the wonder whether they have enough to eat no longer are they subjected to food stamp purchases that requirement was done away with by jimmy carter [Music] subsidized household energy started with just a few millions of dollars some years ago it is today a 2 billion program

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it is today a 2 billion program for the poor and for the ages many of the social programs started under roosevelt and kennedy have been nurtured and even expanded by president carter in the area of job creation it is this administration which has helped to create millions and millions and millions of new jobs more americans are at work today than ever before despite the recession these jobs range across the entire labor landscape with many more to come the president's program for energy independence with emphasis on

solar and synthetic fuels will create hundreds of thousands of new jobs programs to alleviate the distress and trauma of unemployment are in place and will soon be expanded and become increasingly effective certainly this administration deserves great credit for its effort on behalf of job creation for young people for the young who have never had a chance for a decent job they learned in our streets and not in our schools they learned about drug abuse and alcohol and crime and not reading or teaching or medicine or law jimmy carter's administration put together the largest targeted program to educate and train america's young people

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educate and train america's young people to make jobs is vital but equally so is the effort to save jobs industries ravaged by unfair import competition have been aided industries such as the textile apparel and clothing industry the footwear industry tv and steel our members have suffered greatly because of the tremendous flow of ladies and children apparel of men's and boys clothing and of textile mill products from unconscionably low-wage countries overseas every president since jack kennedy has been concerned about it but it's this president and this administration who has done more for american workers than any other administration [Applause] and now automobiles need i remind you that it was under this administration and this president that the federal government came to the aid of the chrysler corporation and of 150 000 jobs which were at stake and it was this president and this administration which guaranteed the loans that chrysler is now making to keep that company alive and other help is on its way to enable the industry to be upgraded technologically and to regain a good share of their lost domestic market

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simultaneously the president has been engaged in the fight against inflation this implicable foe which relentlessly steals from each of us gives ground very grudgingly there are so many different views so many different approaches which have been advanced none are without attendant distress without trauma none without economic dislocation and sacrifice but watching carefully as this compassionate president who working with a democratic congress has been quick to help those who suffer more those who have the least in addition to providing for human needs at home and abroad we have moved forth rightly to advocate human rights at home and abroad it is this president who used his own white house in opportunities to bring together citizens from this country from every state from every community to impress them with the need for this year for this month for this week for this day to pass the era [Music] it is this president who used the telephone to talk to reluctant and recalcitrant state legislatures across the country to urge them to pass the era and it is this president and this administration

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administration which urged the congress to lengthen the time during which states may pass the amendment and it's this president who signed it to make it possible for us to continue the fight until victory the appointment of blacks and women not only to the federal judiciary but to act or near the levers of power in the federal administration must be credited to jimmy carter more aid to education is offered today to the various states and communities more support for poor children for handicapped children for those who have only the use of a foreign language [Music] at home we have welcomed refugees to our land the expelled and the unwanted escapees from tyranny the vietnamese the cambodians jews from the soviet union and cubans from communist cuba equally we are a haven for dissidents from other totalitarian countries despite some questions about our continued ability to absorb them this compassionate president continues to advance the ideals of our generous are forthcoming our supportive american democracy america still lifts its land

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america still lifts its land beside this golden door [Music] this fine warm human being has also advanced the greatest human right the right of a mother not to cry in despair over the body of a son battered and torn as a result of war whatever the enormous difficulty in the middle east whatever the criticism or the setbacks one thing stands out clear and incontrovertible no additional israeli mother or widow no additional egyptian

mother or widow weeps tonight the camp david accords have helped to bring this about [Applause] and lastly let me say that all of what i have said may pale into insignificance when the record of this administration is written all of the things that come to mind quickly will not loom so large as the fact that from this bully pulpit from the office of the president of the united states has gone out the clear carry and call for the observance of human rights for every living being across this great world of ours

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inevitably whatever the future may bring decades from now when our children and grandchildren leap through the history books it will be noted in the histories of the nations of the world that during these past few years and hopefully for many many years to come a cry for the observance of the human personality for decency for humanity no matter the color no matter the creed no matter the station of life that that cry came from jimmy carter's white house now then come join with me let us hold out our hands to one another in brotherhood and solidarity let our strength our creativity our generous concern for one another our common humanity let it all be pooled and together let us begin a new period of caring and sharing of concern and cooperation join me stand by my side fellow delegates and fellow americans in seconding the nomination of a man of peace a man of courage a man of compassion our president jimmy carter

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saul chicken of the international ladies garment workers union seconding the nomination president carter [Music] john chancellor is that on our balcony with theodore s white jetty white who has some thoughts about what has been happening here today john teddy i guess it's time now to start talking about the democratic ticket in the year 1980. carter and mondale what are your thoughts well my first thought is there is this clash of cultures in the democratic party and always has been and we've just heard three speakers speak and those speakers are symbolic of a desperate defense of the democratic base we heard a southern white governor we heard a black woman of distinction and we heard a jewish labor leader from new york it's the city worker the blackstone minorities and the southern whites upon whom the democratic party depends i suppose you can say that mondale and carter come of a culture not so much alien is different they come from the william jennings bryan culture of american history mondale's the son of a minister uh connor is a uh sunday school teacher himself that fight yesterday between uh uh kennedy and the caramandel ticket is the fight of the guy who lives in the big city and his terror is jobs no jobs whereas these are farm boys they're the only two men on either ticket who know which from which side you milk a cow they're worried about the homeowner and the gu and the man who plants a garden and they are caught and crumpled by history and they have to explain it to the big cities they have to explain that the russians as every intelligence report tells us are increasing and increasing again their military might and they have to re-arm america in a country in a big city culture that wants jobs and food but

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and food but most people who've been watching this coverage teddy would think that the person here who represented jobs more than anybody else was the man who lost senator kennedy that's true and that's the subtle emphasis if you notice the original carter uh a platform read inflation is the great enemy and jobs are the second priority kennedy reversed that he says jobs are the first priority inflation next they're both united that both these things are evil but which do you get at first these two fellows i think are more for holding prices down saving the homeowner from inflation so is kennedy but kennedy says jobs at all costs uh also the idiom that kennedy has mastered or learned from his mother's uh bosom from the fitzgeralds and candies of boston is totally different from the low-key rhetoric of uh the these two men both of them thoroughly decent men slightly singing a tune which doesn't sing well in the cities any longer teddy thank you very much at least they'll get the uh the milkers vote they certainly have that minnesota anyway we'll be back with more convention coverage after this nbc news continues to report the 1980 democratic national

convention here is david brinkley the roll call has just begun bob and now ted arizona proudly casts its vote of conscience as follows 16 votes for ted kennedy 13 votes for jimmy carter [Applause] arizona casts 13 votes for jimmy carter and 16 votes for ted kennedy

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arkansas 33 votes governor clinton madam chairman arkansas will have to pass arkansas passes for the moment california 306 votes matt of chairman madam chairman california has decided to have one of its rank and file delegates carolyn wallace announce california's vote [Applause] the delegates of the state of california representing the most populous state in our country are proud to cast for the men and the women of our state 140 votes for president carter and to emphasize our agreement with the programs presented during his campaign 166 votes for senator [Applause] oh the chant if it is not clear is we want teddy

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california casts 140 votes for president carter and 166 votes for senator kennedy the state of colorado 40 votes madam chairman the snow-capped mountains of colorado passes connecticut 54 votes madam secretary the state of connecticut cass 28 votes for senator edward kennedy and 26 votes for president jimmy carter [Applause] connecticut casts 26 votes for president carter and 28 votes for senator kennedy the state of delaware 14 votes madam secretary the state of delaware which will give us robert maxwell as our next congressman [Music] cass four votes for the senator and ten votes for the next president of the united states delaware casts 10 votes for president carter and four votes for senator kennedy the district of columbia with 19 votes madam chair lady the district of columbia the last colony and this united states wishes to pass at this time

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the district of columbia passes florida 100 votes [Music] madam secretary florida passes florida passes at this time georgia 63 votes madam chair state of georgia proudly cast 62 votes for great georgian a great president the next president jimmy carter [Applause] georgia casts 62 votes for president jimmy carter [Music] hawaii 19 votes hawaii madam chairperson the great state of hawaii cast 16 votes for president carter two votes for senator kennedy with one abstention hawaii casts 16 votes for president carter two votes for senator kennedy and one abstention idaho 17 verses madam secretary great state of idaho that state that's going to re-elect our great senior senator frank church votes nine votes carter seven votes kennedy one vote miss uncommitted [Music] illinois zoe i'd like to repeat the idaho vote [Applause]

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[Applause] the idaho vote is nine votes president carter seven votes senator kennedy and one uncommitted now we'll hear from you illinois with 179 votes [Music] you ready illinois the microphone is dead would you please go to the south carolina microphone and give us the vote illinois microphone is not working so that's going to go across the aisle your microphone unfortunately your microphone is not working and we do want your vote so would you please just go right down there just below you and to the south carolina one come on there's some good good-natured ribbing going on there the south carolinians are calling to the people from illinois come on down and we'll help you they say there's a little matter of state pride working here

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yes the prairie state the home of the next senator alan dixon cast cast 16 votes for senator kennedy and 163 vote for the president illinois cast 163 votes for president carter and 16 votes for senator kennedy [Music] now the turn of the we want carter let's go on indiana anna madame secretary indiana the most recent state [Music] indiana's 80 votes are being cast testing indiana the most recent state to ratify era and lead i remind

you we still need three more cast 27 votes for senator ted kennedy 53 votes for the next president jimmy carter indiana casts 53 votes for president carter and 27 votes for senator kennedy iowa 50 votes the great state of iowa the home of senator john culver

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senator john culver a person a person who has given this country 16 years the progressive leadership in the congress of the united states and the democrats of iowa pledged the country again that will send john culver back to the congress for six more years [Applause] cast 31 votes for president carter 17 votes for senator kennedy and two votes for senator john calver iowa casts 31 votes for president carter 17 votes for senator kennedy and two votes for senator culver kansas 37 votes madam secondary kansas the agriculture king of the united states who feeds the country and is very proud of our governor john carlin cass 23 votes for the next president united states jimmy carter and madam secretary with our hearts we cast 14 votes for senator ted kennedy kansas casts 23 votes for president carter and 14 votes for senator kennedy [Music] kentucky 50 votes governor brown madam chairman yes the commonwealth of kentucky cast four votes for senator kennedy and 45 votes for our president jimmy carter [Applause] kentucky casts 45 votes for president

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kentucky casts 45 votes for president carter and four votes for senator kennedy louisiana 51 votes madame chairman seymour pleasure foreign kennedy and now i will have that great cajun from forked island louisiana mr charles broussard to interpret be sure the vote from the great state of louisiana is 51 votes total 50 votes being for president carter one vote for senator kennedy louisiana casts 50 votes for president carter and one vote for senator kennedy the state of maine with 22 votes madam secretary the state of maine proudly cast 11 votes for that gallon campaigner senator ted kennedy and 11 votes for the man who will be reelected president in november jimmy carter main cast 11 votes for president carter and 11 votes for senator kennedy maryland 59 votes madam chairman the state of maryland land of pleasant living casts 24 votes for senator kennedy one vote for ms uncommitted and 34 votes

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for ms uncommitted and 34 votes for president carter maryland casts 34 votes for president carter 27 votes for senator 24 votes excuse me for senator kennedy and one uncommitted massachusetts 111 votes i have really practiced and now i can say that state correctly madam chairperson a united democratic party in the commonwealth of massachusetts cass 77 votes for senator kennedy [Applause] madam chairperson great state of massachusetts is proud in the united manner to cast 34 votes for the next president jimmy carter massachusetts casts 34 votes for president carter and 77 votes for senator kennedy michigan 141 votes madam secretary madam secretary the great state of michigan home of the new chrysler corporation whose strength lies in the quality unity and commitment of its working men and women casts 38 votes for senator edward kennedy one abstention and 102 votes for president jimmy carter michigan casts 102 votes for president carter 38 votes for senator kennedy and one

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38 votes for senator kennedy and one abstention the state of minnesota with 75 votes right over here and chairman minnesota passes minnesota passes for the moment mississippi governor winters in the true spirit of party unity and solidarity mississippi casts all of its 32 votes for president jimmy carter mississippi casts 32 votes for president carter missouri 77. madam secretary missouri home of senator tom eagleton and governor joe tiesdale cast 19 votes for senator kennedy and 58 votes for our president jimmy [Applause] carter missouri cast 58 votes for president president carter and 19 votes for senator kennedy the state of montana with 19 votes madam chairman montana the state that will elect democrat lieutenant governor swindon as our next governor in november will yield the mike to barbara blaylock daughter of senator chet blaylock our chairman who became ill on his way to the convention was unable to attend for the purpose of

casting the delegates ballots the great state of montana would like to give six votes to senator edward kennedy and 13 to the next president of the united states jimmy carter [Music] montana casts 13 votes for jimmy carter and six votes for senator kennedy the

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and six votes for senator kennedy the state of nebraska with 24 votes madam chairman on behalf of those most courageous and tenacious of all americans nebraska democrats we cast 10 votes for the eloquent senator from massachusetts edward kennedy and 14 votes for that great president of these united states jimmy carter nebraska casts 14 votes for president carter and 10 votes for senator kennedy the state of nevada with 12 votes madam chair the unratified state of nevada home of the next woman u.s senator mary go jack cass 8 and 217 votes for president carter 3 and 15 17 votes for senator kennedy nevada casts 8 and 2 17 votes for president carter and 3 and 15 17 for senator kennedy new hampshire 19 votes madam chairman new hampshire with the first in the nation's primary and the state that gave the president his first great primary win cast ten votes for president carter nine votes for senator kennedy new hampshire casts ten votes for president carter and nine votes for senator kennedy the state of new jersey with 113 votes

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madam chairman the great state of new jersey cast 45 votes for our president jimmy carter and as an affirmation of our respect and admiration the new jersey kennedy delegates cast 68 votes for senator ted [Applause] new jersey casts 45 votes for president carter and 68 votes for senator kennedy new mexico 20 votes they're right down here new mexico known in spanish as la tierra de lencanto [Music] the home of bill richardson who's running for congress [Music] we wish to vote 10 of our votes for senator ted kennedy and we wish to cast the other 10 votes for the great state of new mexico the land of enchantment for the next president of the united states president jimmy carter new mexico casts 10 votes for president jimmy carter and 10 votes for senator edward kennedy the state of new york 282 votes [Applause] madam chair the polyglot multifaceted variegated empire state of new york

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two votes for ronald 129 votes for mr carter and 151 votes for the valiant parade [Applause] new york tests [Applause] kennedy and north carolina 69 votes [Applause] madam secretary north carolina cast three votes for senator kennedy and 66 votes for the next president of the united states north carolina casts 66 votes for president carter and three votes for senator kennedy north dakota 14 votes madam secretary great state of north dakota voting their individual individual consciences cast the following votes for the democratic nomination for the presidency of the united states two votes for the uncommitted or mr uncommitted five votes for president carter and seven votes for senator edward and county

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north dakota cast five votes for president carter seven votes for senator kennedy and two uncommitted votes ohio 161 votes mr chairman ohio where the american federation of labor was founded the birthplace of william green is long-time president and now under the able leadership of a distinguished american lane kirkland president of the afl-cio cast ohio cast 72 votes for senator kennedy and 89 votes for president carter ohio cast 89 votes for president carter and 72 votes for senator kennedy oklahoma 42 votes madam secretary oklahoma the state that has so many people and places we're proud of they're not enough roll calls to name them all cashed one vote for congressman tom steed one vote for governor hugh carey three votes for senator ted kennedy one vote is absent and 36 votes for president carter oklahoma casts 36 votes for president carter three votes for senator kennedy one vote for congressman steed one vote for governor kerry and one absent 39 votes way

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39 votes way over there madam chairman the great state of oregon the home of ted kulingowski the man who will replace and regain the senate seat of wayne morris cast 13 votes for senator kennedy 26 votes for the next president of the united states jimmy carter oregon casts 26 votes for president carter and 13 votes for senator kennedy pennsylvania 185 votes madam secretary pennsylvania casts 95 votes for president carter and 90 votes for senator kennedy pennsylvania cast 95 votes for president carter and 90 votes for senator kennedy puerto rico 41 votes madam [Applause] the next state of the union yes votes for president carter 20 votes for senator kennedy puerto rico cast 21 votes for president carter and 20 votes for senator kennedy rhode island 23 votes

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rhode island 23 votes six votes for president carter 17 votes for senator kennedy rhode island cast six votes for president jimmy carter and 17 votes these are senators pictures of president carter watching at the sheraton center hotel unless he's watching this and then he's watching himself nah sorry it was taped earlier with robert stroud spirit of unity watching the convention south carolina is proud to cast all of our 37 votes for our great president jimmy carter [Applause] south carolina casts all 37 votes for president jimmy carter south dakota 19 votes adam chairman south dakota home of that great sioux nation cast 19 votes for the re-election to the senate this fall of one of the finest senators of this century and nation senator george mcgovern [Applause] madam chairman the south dakota delegation also cast nine votes for the next president of the united states jimmy carter and 10 votes for the president of the united states in 1984 ted kennedy [Applause] south dakota cast nine votes for president carter 10 votes for senator kennedy and 19 votes for senator mcgovern in 1944 they don't have it 19 votes no is it nine no it's nine ten and that's may we have a repeat on that vote please [Music] not the whole thing just the totals

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thank you george the south dakota delegation cast nine votes for president carter ten votes for senator ted kennedy thank you very much let me repeat that please south dakota casts nine votes for president carter and ten votes for senator kennedy tennessee 55 votes madam chairman the great volunteer state of tennessee cash 51 votes for president carter four votes for senator kennedy tennessee casts 51 votes for president carter and four votes for senator kennedy texas with 152 votes madam secretary madam secretary here we go over the top [Applause] state of texas the cornerstone of the carter mondeo victory in 1976 cash three votes uncommitted to vote for congressman kent had 38 votes for senator kennedy and 108 votes [Applause] james earl carter of plains georgia is the nominee of the democratic party for president of the united states

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the balloting has been suspended for a minute while the band plays the signs way [Applause] that's john white holding up a headline in the new york daily news which we may see in a minute he's the party chairman point it this way john this this is what it was president carter watching himself nominated watching television in his hotel [Applause] since the rural vote on monday night there never was any doubt about it but nevertheless we certainly must be pleased to have seen it actually occur tom pettit has made his way to the texas delegation a state carried by the carter mondale

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a state carried by the carter mondale ticket four years ago and a state that whose ballots tonight put him over the top pettit are you there somewhere in all that tumult yes john i'm in the front row with uh judah zafurini from texas laredo texas uh carter whip and national co-chair of the hispanic advisory committee for carter monday were you expecting to be the delegation that put him over there we were surprised but we're sure happy about it we just love it and we're very proud of it there's a large hispanic population in texas yes there is and you'll be working hard with that throughout the country very hard now calvin guest is uh state chairman calvin guest is one of our co-managers of the national campaign not calvin 1972 in san antonio

have i seen you all excited like this now why are you so excited didn't you know it's going to be your state well yes we thought that it would be our state and we're proud to be the one to put him over the top and we will carry taxes for the carter monday i'll take it in november thank you very much congratulations to both of you now to tom brokaw i'm uh down here in the middle of the georgia delegation with i think probably the happiest group on the floor two in particular pam jordan and jody powell the president's the former white house chief of staff now the director of his campaign and his press secretary you said just a few moments ago you didn't feel too bad i thought i saw in your eyes a little more emotionally well it's been uh a tough campaign this far but nobody thought we'd win when we started as it was four years ago and i suspect that's going to be a tough campaign from here to november but uh we can do a best to win it was there a special feeling in beating senator kennedy who a year ago this time looked like he was the dragon that no one could slay well there's a special feeling in winning i guess but not because you beat

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i guess but not because you beat somebody in particular but just because if you're involved in politics part of the process is the win and there's very little that you can do about the things that you want to do something about if you don't win cup race this fall though it's going to be a tough race this fall but i got a feeling just from looking at the two of them but there's no way that governor reagan is as tough an opponent as senator kennedy was congratulations to you thank you how did you vote tonight well i voted i voted in favor of nbc you're against this on the road on the opening invasion price but that's all right did i vote i had no idea that i did have you back i've been fine special feeling winning this town hamilton yeah it's a great relief it's been a long tough campaign having said that i am optimistic that we'll unify this party present to the american people the differences between our nominees and the republican nominees our platforms our vision of this country's future and we will we will win in november it's uh for jody and myself it's a bit of deja vu it was uh about four years ago when we won the first nomination standing here in the georgia delegation where it all started so it's a special special night of special feeling okay congratulations to you we're gonna go to judy woodruff who's back where you've been working all night back in the carter command post i don't know what she's got going on thank you tom we're here in the boiler room the trailer where all the orders have been given for the last three days talking to tim kraft who is the carter campaign manager it smells like champagne a lot of champagne we're very happy we've been a long campaign people work very hard we've got a great candidate we feel great what are you do you feel jaded at all i mean these people look a lot younger than you the ones who are here

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than you the ones who are here the ones who are doing the celebrating and breaking open the champagne box judy uh unfortunately they are a lot younger but we've got the best crew we've got the best young campaign crew in the country and we also we also are very proud to work for jimmy carter who is a damn good president a little profanity here in here in the carter boiler room and now back to the demonstrations on the convention floor [Music] we're going down to the sheridan hotel sheriff's center on 7th avenue and see a tape made just a minute ago of president carter and some others sitting in a hotel room watching him go over the top on [Music] television that was esther peterson on the president's left putting his arm around her and she's giving him a kiss [Music] and bob strauss who had a lot to do with this and mayor tom bradley of los angeles strauss has stayed in the campaign through thick and thin we hope that mrs carter mrs jimmy carter will be here with us in the booth in a few minutes and while we're preparing for that um we'll be back in a moment [Music] spokesman for senator kennedy says he probably will stay in his hotel suite for the remainder of this evening and that they probably will issue a one-page statement sometime soon as soon as he does we'll bring it to you

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bring it to you in the meantime tom pettitt is managing to stay on his feet on the floor at least i think he is on his feet on the floor we'll find out tom david i am indeed on two feet as is the governor of arkansas bill clinton you were telling me you think this marks some kind of unity what makes you think that well it's the first genuine enthusiasm i think we've seen for the president really strong and it's almost as if we had last night we had senator kennedy's convention tonight president carter's convention i hope tomorrow night we can have a convention for the people of this country because we've got to reach out to them if we want to leave here in stronger position than we can what kind of position do you think this ticket will be in in arkansas come november oh i think we'll win there it's uphill though a little uphill yes we've got problems everywhere in the country but i believe that if we do what we ought to do tomorrow night to talk about the future and what we can do to make it better i believe we'll come out here in real good shape do you go out of here with the mark of edward m kennedy on this party to some large degree or do you go out of here as jimmy carter's democratic party i think we'll leave a i hope a more united democratic party but which is the dominant the president governor thank you thank you we're going now to um thank you tom pettit bob kerr over at the waldorf astoria senator kennedy's headquarters he has just put out a statement just a moment ago in which he congratulates president carter on his renomination and endorses the platform of the democratic party and says i quote i will support and work for the re-election of president carter it is imperative that we defeat ronald reagan in 1980 and i urge all democrats to join in that statement it is a five-line statement very brief put out by senator kennedy just a few moments ago they waited until the nomination was all set again the statement says i congratulate president carter on his renomination i endorse the platform of the democratic party i will support and work for the

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party i will support and work for the re-election of president carter it is imperative that we defeat ronald reagan in 1980 and i urge all democrats to join in that effort so there you have it the statement of support um a little lukewarm perhaps bob from senator edward kennedy tonight here at the waldorf astoria bob this is the booth can you hear us yes john are they saying anything about any appearances the um the senator might make any meetings with president carter no there's nothing new about that uh the last thing i did have was a brief conversation with one of kennedy's top people i asked him is it likely we will be here tomorrow night and he said yes uh things are always subject to change however in the kennedy campaign in fact when we saw a statement being drafted or xeroxed about an hour ago it looked a little bit longer than this one this is a very brief statement uh about your question again john though as i mentioned before one of kennedy's senior people told me a couple of weeks ago that one of the things he was considering or might consider this was the senator was making a brief statement of support such as this and then leaving town before an appearance on that platform with president carter tomorrow night i hesitate though to say that that is the case because that may well have changed and even then it was only an option so i don't think we can preclude the possibility that senator kennedy will be there with president carter tomorrow night in fact today some of his top people were talking about the way the kennedy people would want that appearance orchestrated to suit senator kennedy and they wanted to talk with the carter people about that and for all we know uh they have been discussing the way senator kennedy would appear on the platform tomorrow night bob thank you very much for that timely report thank you i think that may come as good news to a guest of ours uh here in the nbc anchor booth uh mrs carter is with us good evening

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uh mrs carter is with us good evening this is carter and congratulations mrs carter when something cataclysmic happens to a person and she or he appears on television they always say how do you feel i don't want to open any new ground how do you feel it's wonderful even when you know that you have won just to be there and the excitement's really wonderful and this is the first night you know that i've been here to the convention hall and to see all of those people that i've worked and campaigned with many of them in 1976 it's just been a thrilling evening for me and i i just feel very grateful to them for their support and to all those people out in the countryside who voted for my husband it was it was exciting in 1976 it was new and exciting but this i feel it's a vote of confidence for my husband and i pray i love it mrs carter we've just heard

from bob kerr at the kennedy headquarters that they are certainly not ruling out an appearance by the senator here in new york tomorrow uh and and perhaps in the hall although we're not certain would that please you yes yes we need him i think the country does because i think the country needs a democratic administration for four more years and we need his help you expect to get uh his full help and support during the campaign that that's up to him to say i would well you would like to have it i would we would well this is the second time for you second victory in the same hall in fact so uh you like this one better i love well i like the one before it's different feeling um well it's different as i said before it was new and exciting and challenging before now we've been there and we know what to expect and we i think laid some really good ground work for for the 1980s i just think the 1980s are going to be good years when we had all those meetings at camp david a year ago and had economists all kinds of people they all said the 80s are going to be good years

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said the 80s are going to be good years and i think they are and i think that we have the programs in place now and planned so that we can move forward in these next four years and i'm just proud of what jimmy's going to be able to do you you all are going to camp david after the convention right that's right what are you going to say to him when you get there to camp david tonight when i get home well i can't david when he finally will have a little privacy well um i think for just a few days um we'll probably uh just rest and but it's not gonna it's not but a few weeks maybe two weeks until the fall campaign so what what um i'm planning we're planning to do in these next few weeks so just i've got to write a new campaign speech and do all of that i i enjoy that and i like to think about it and and talk about it so that when by the time the campaign comes i'll be ready to go but just for the next few days i'll go i will go and just relax i enjoy being with a family and and um and i know that i will be on the telephone again thanking friends and supporters across the country [Music] four years ago david and i went down to the i think they then called it the americana hotel to interview you and the uh and the nominee he wasn't yet the president and i remember dave and i have talked about it since that you looked and we had that interview you looked scared i'm sure i was like how have you changed you have changed enormously it seems to me in terms of poise and determination and knowledge of politics what other kinds of changes well i think um i think you broaden in this office you i'm wiser about how government processes work and and what influences there are and how to get things done i think that i am more confident than i was then about what i can do about what jimmy carter

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what i can do about what jimmy carter can do and i think that in the white house you are so subject to um criticisms and um from every every um source and i think that that you have to be confident that you're doing what you think is the best for the country and you also have to be um you you do you accept the fact that there are going to be criticisms that things are going to happen that you don't like that they're going to be all kinds of um well distrust of of me the things that i say people say uh mrs carter said so and so but other president said so and so but but you accept that and i think that i have after you accept that then you you go ahead and it doesn't bother you so you develop a confidence about what you can do and what you can't do and you do the best you can mrs mrs carter we have a little tape that we made a few minutes ago at the sheraton hotel of your husband in the suite looking at television watching himself being nominated with the results you see here on the screen being kissed by another woman well she's wonderful i don't mind if she kisses me well i'm sure you don't know an occasion like that the president's mother was here last night and i asked her a perhaps slightly silly question i'd like to ask you the same nothing is certain in politics and if this doesn't work i asked her if she thought her son would be happy back in plains georgia and she said yes do you think so um i think he is looking forward to going back to plains georgia and after his second term that's right but i do think that he could be he will be happy in place well she said she would be happy to have him back when he came whenever he came to do some yard work for her a hard political question how would you rate your how would you characterize the campaign to come i think earlier said it's going to be tough it'll be difficult difficult uphill would you say

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would you say um even downhill no it'll be up why is why will it be so difficult you think why has it turned into such a difficult campaign it has there's no re-election is not all that difficult who's been re-elected lately eisenhower and nixon that is a lot in between it's not it's um a president has a record and a president the decisions that come to his office are the most difficult the the ones that are simple to solve some way else you make enemies particularly if you do things that are courageous and not politically expedient which jimmy carter has done and you have to you have to make decisions every day and you cannot govern by polls because the country would suffer terribly i think one thing that's wrong with our country now is that we have not had a two-term president in so long and and presence in a first term um are hesitant to do some of the things that need to be done um jimmy carter didn't that's why he goes up and down the polls but presidents uh uh has to do those things that need to be done because they're looking forward to the next election um and so the difficult some of the different things like facing up to an energy situation uh combating inflation says to do something quick at election time to fix it so you can get past the election but jimmy has not done that and i think the continuity is so important and now we have things in place and we can go through this into another term and solve some of these long term but i do think that the the lack of continuity and the fact that a president uh has to be courageous in his first term and and some have not been uh um one of the problems that we have now uh the reasons for some of the problems we have second term will have no political considerations because this is the this assuming you wins this will be the last election that's right so what might you expect how would we expect a second car return

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how would we expect a second car return to be different well as far as doing the things that are necessary for the country i think jimmy carter did in his first term and george as governor he could not succeed himself and so he had one term and he did really great things for our state and without worrying without thinking about political consequences in in georgia the thing that's going to be different about this next four years is that he is in office he has established some programs for our country that are good we're getting the social programs turned around we have an energy program in place now we're ready to go forward with with the good things that can happen once you get the basic programs in place you can't think about what what i mean you can't be visionary about solar energy or mining the seabeds and things like that until you have a basic energy policy in place so now we have these programs tough decisions have been made that are going to gonna gonna lead us to have a better future carter we've heard a lot of talk about ronald reagan in this hall for the last three days how do you feel about ronald reagan [Music] i feel that it is very important for our country for um jimmy carter to be re-elected this this november instead of ronald reagan um i can give you a lot of reasons why i think my husband should be reelected but um i'll i'll take ronald reagan on in november i mean it was something that labor day why do you think ronald reagan should not be elected well if you look at the um republican platform which he endorsed i just i think that that that is not mainstream republican party i think it is a very narrow part of the republican party that that um um is it would would be very detrimental to our country i i just um

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detrimental to our country i i just um i just think i've got to work extra especially hard and help jimmy carter get real elected you have any thoughts about reagan himself how about the man i don't know him um i just know the things that he stands for and um i don't know anything about him i wouldn't comment on him personally i don't know so many people have this well there's been quite a lot of talk about ronald reagan here no that will be more aside from living in the white house being married to the president how have you felt these three and a half years in washington have you enjoyed it we have it's been a real challenge it's been exciting [Music] um i think to a certain extent yes but it's been a good time for us we've maintained our family relationships um politics has always drawn my family close together and particularly in the white house where you're a little bit way over here 20 relatives i think that might be that's the best we could count i have a brother here and jimmy has one sister here well we have a just our immediate family it's pretty big i have jack

jack and judy have two babies so when you're franchising the grandchildren and mothers you you have a large family but but we've done that and um it's just this it's a wonderful country and a wonderful opportunity there's so many things that can be done and you have access to the greatest minds in the country the greatest artists we've enjoyed the artists that have come to the white house we we just look forward to the days i know sometimes people feel that we kind of battered down in the white house and with all the problems but it's never been that way you haven't been you've been out on the road such a you've traveled a lot politically you're learning the country from that point of view aren't you

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point of view aren't you where do you think this election could be won or lost for the carter mondale ticket regionally i don't know they talk about the midwest and the northeast i let them talk about where it would be when i lost i just get out and you just go outside i know about you you've got a new speech direct temperature i have i have when are you going to do that and what will it say well i think i know i'll say it'll it'll um it'll encourage people to want to vote for jimmy carter i think though that we jimmy carter has a record to run on and um that's one thing that's good about elections you can get out and tell people and primaries are very different from general elections primaries people know this is not going to be the last time they vote so a lot of times people vote to protest or they have to send a message or um and don't really take it as seriously as a general election but when people start looking at jimmy carter and his record and what he stands for and at the opponent i just feel they're going to choose jimmy carter and and we have a great record um good things that have been done that people don't know about and so i want to get out and tell them mrs carter you've been up since i think about dawn you've flown up here from washington today i think we'll say goodnight it'd be impolite to keep you in longer thank you very very much for coming by thanks for coming nice to see you mrs carter looking forward to the campaign we'll be back with more coverage after this [Music] senator kennedy called the president a while ago a few minutes ago to congratulate him on his victory um gentlemen you care to guess about tomorrow night my guess is it will be here on a restaurant what is your age maybe we ought to repeat it because it was just a little bit hurried when bob kerr was talking to us um from kennedy headquarters before we interviewed mrs uh carter

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interviewed mrs uh carter that the senator put out a one-page statement saying that he endorsed the platform and he said that it would be imperative for the democrats to beat ronald reagan and when kerr our correspondent bob kerr said will you all be here tomorrow night one of the kennedy people said yes that's the evidence we have no more than that but it's now beginning to look as though there will be some sort of appearance or some sort of meeting we're not sure which nevertheless some of the kennedy delegates on the floor who voted for kennedy kennedy got uh we'll get to that in a minute uh kennedy got quite a lot of votes and in some cases massachusetts for one the one i know of at the moment when asked to make it unanimous by acclamation refused tom pettitt is at the massachusetts delegation tom david i'm with tom o'neill iii and we're confused there was a request apparently to to make the nomination by acclamation massachusetts a strong kennedy state felt that it should not do that what's the current status of this request well there is no current status at this point uh the point is that we have some delegates going on the floor we want to make sure that we talk to everybody and i personally would like to have and i'm sure all the other kennedy operatives that will call him that for one moment would like to have a word directly from either the senator or perhaps paul cook so it would seem that the emotion aimed at unity likely would not come from his home state well it was just not sure it's just that there there are delegates who have come here as delegates for ted kennedy they're unsure uh as to where they are so we want to pull some of these people back on the floor and short uh we have to wait a little while that's right well it's always like that isn't it now too flawless we're on the floor with jerry ralchun the president's media advisor after a long hard campaign we're getting pushed around here a little bit there must be some very satisfying feelings tonight

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tonight they are there it's been a long campaign it's been a tough campaign and uh we're very happy at the outcome we expected it tonight and we're ready to win in november ever any doubts [Music] honestly back last july when the president was in terrible shape in the polls when they were talking about ted kennedy getting in the race i never had any doubts none of us ever had any doubts that the president would win the nomination and be re-elected well a lot of people always doubt that jimmy carter is going to win a campaign they doubt whether he's going to win whether he be elected governor whether he'd be elected president and he always does better than his doubters ever expect and uh when you stand up to the tough issues when you have the courage to do the things that he has done in the first term you expect to be popular frankly that's that's a badge of courage for jimmy carter to be unpopular uh he's taking on tough issues like energy uh middle east peace he um has inducted he hasn't dodged and therefore he was down in the polls but an election and a and a campaign for the nomination is an opportunity to tell your story all right let me ask you about that tomorrow night the fall campaign really begins with the acceptance speech what's he going to say he's going to talk about what we've done and what we're going to do and he's going to give the people a clear choice i don't think there's ever been an election since 1964 when you had goldwater versus lyndon johnson where you had two uh extremely different candidates and he will give the american people an opportunity to see the difference and we're going to and we're going to talk about the difference between now and november and tomorrow begins thank you very much thank you john chancellor in the booth well that's their view of the future but our republican guests have been sitting in washington watching these proceedings for most of the evening and let's go to bill monroe and see what they have to

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bill monroe and see what they have to say thank you john republican chairman bill brock and senator nancy landon kassabaum of kansas senator president carter has been nominated now against the background of speeches depicting him as wise compassionate peace loving ronald reagan is given to rabbit in the hat economics and saber-rattling to these hours of watching this democratic convention intimidate a kansas republican certainly not uh i think it's interesting bill to to feel that there's very little real passion that's generated by uh president carter among his followers it has a feeling i think of something that's very staged seems to me the only real genuine um feeling there were those who were supporting senator kennedy who were going to certainly go to the wire it's you know the old saying if the trumpet sounds uncertain who will wish to follow and i feel that this is very true with president carter there is no ability on his part to pull those different coalitions together that have always been the basis of strength for the democratic party mr brock do you agree with the general journalistic consensus that the republicans have almost everything going for them this year way ahead in the polls more unity than the democrats more money than the democrats the anderson factor possibly pulling more votes away from the democrats and uh issues powerful issues like the economic distress does that scare you a little bit having all those things going for you i love it you know i i a conventionist theater anyway and this has been an interesting experience but we really do have to go to the issues now and that's what's going to happen in the ensuing months we've got double the rate of inflation triple the rate of inflation that we had when jimmy carter and the democrats got total control of our

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democrats got total control of our government we've had the the unemployment rate skyrocket millions of people being thrown out of work in the in this last year alone as a matter of conscious democratic policy we've got interest rates going right through the roof uh a terribly weakened national defense which has imperiled our very security well that's the point how can you lose this election have you got it figured out oh i don't we don't want to think about losing but i think if we try to respond to the personal attacks that are going to be made on governor reagan that would be the worst mistake we could make i think we've seen throughout this convention the only thing that is united uniting the democrats isn't a plan isn't a goal for america it's a dislike for one individual who happens to be their opponent so it becomes for them a quest for power and not for principle i think that that's going to be the issue this fall and i i don't think they're going to be successful at that senator casselbaum how did you feel about those zingers from senator kennedy yesterday which got the democrats in an uproar some of them aimed at ronald reagan quoting him as saying

that unemployment insurance is a vacation for freeloaders and that sort of thing well from a political standpoint i kind of enjoyed it he was throwing some real red meat to the to the delegates uh i certainly don't agree with it on the other hand i appreciate it as certainly good political theatrics and and some of the best certainly that i've heard so far in the in the democratic convention but more importantly i think the republican party has a opportunity this time to really form a great national party pull together the various coalitions that are there for the republicans to reach thank you very much chairman brock and senator castlebond now back to john david back to one of them doesn't make any difference bill thank you now we're going over to the sheraton center to the carter headquarters

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to the carter headquarters and john palmer john david as you might guess the president of the united states is an extremely happy man this evening having just been re-nominated by his democratic party for a second term we're going to show you what it looked like about 30 minutes ago as the balloting came near the top the magic number of 1666 votes bob strauss the campaign chairman on the president's right and esther peterson is consumer affairs advisor on his own and there it is the magic number 1666 the president's smiling broadly and a rewarding kiss from esther peterson the scene on the 21st floor of the sheraton center in the president's suite just a very few minutes ago as the president went over the top you probably saw it sixteen hundred sixty six votes the president did make a few remarks to a reporter who was there along with the photographers in his suite at the top of this building the president said that senator kennedy placed no price on unity he of course was referring to the last two days of talks consultations and negotiations about the party platform and about the rules the president was asked how things were going he said that uh we talked to several times today meaning he talked with senator kennedy several times today he said we're getting along very well we'll meet sometime tomorrow we don't know if at the time you saw those pictures and at the time the president went over the top we don't know whether he had gotten the word yet that senator kennedy had announced in a written piece of paper that was handed out at his headquarters over at the waldorf that senator kennedy would support president carter and the carter mondale ticket this fall others in that room upstairs for that uh exciting moment phil wise the president's appointment secretary charles kerbeau and his wife old friends from atlanta who serve as the president's lawyer and of course bob

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the president's lawyer and of course bob strauss and esther peterson so that was the scene something that the president has been working for and looking forward to for many months now this is john palmer at carter headquarters at the sheraton center now back to john chancellor and now down to tom pettitt with the massachusetts delegation well massachusetts has now decided to endorse the idea of making the nomination by acclimation therefore unanimous mr o'neill you talked to your father up on the podium what did he tell you and what did you decide and what was the word from the senator how did it come about that you were going to do this i think that the question was asked of lieutenant governor i knew as to whether or not massachusetts would do that but the word came from kennedy headquarters that it would be all right um jimmy isabel talked to the senator and the senator said do it all right the senator said do it 51. and i don't know the chair understands that the massachusetts delegation has asked for an open microphone just to change whoever is at the microphone happens to be a familiar looking face the lieutenant governor of the commonwealth of massachusetts tom o'neill what is on your mind mr chairman we have just had an opportunity to speak from to the senior senator from massachusetts it is his wish in the interest of harmony and unity and a success in 1980 to help make jimmy carter the next president of these united states in a re-election form

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form massachusetts would like to be the first state of the 50 united states to move for acclamation on behalf [Music] he has done nothing else but try to bring about great debate he is interested in making sure that jimmy carter is not only renominated but is going to be re-elected as the president fills these united states he

has done everything he can to make the democratic party better we are all now going to go out and work in the best interests of this democratic party to defeat ronald reagan it is a graceful gesture isn't it massachusetts what did your father tell you when you're up there he said go out and talk to the delegates who work so hard for teddy kennedy and if it's all right with them let's see what we can do and i wanted to come down and talk to the people who work so very hard for teddy kennedy people like sharon pollard and weinberg just people off the streets who understand teddy kennedy and what it's all about thank you once they said yes it was okay with us thank you tom thank you now over to tom brokaw well i'm with one member of that uh massachusetts delegation he's not at all happy with the decision i gather and mchugh you are kennedy whip here that's right i respect the senator's decision and it's typical of the senator he's a first class person but i think it's unfortunate that massachusetts made that decision without spoiling its delegates i think if they had we wouldn't have quite the show of unanimity you think well he also the senator also asked you tonight to support jimmy carter will you be able to do that um i have to give it a lot of thought i i think uh this i really have some serious a lot of people shouting in your ear here i know and i'm not paying any attention to them

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and i'm not paying any attention to them right um the problem is that i do have some serious problems with the platform if you read the document that the president sent over here tonight he really is not supporting the issues that this body stood up and was counted for and it's very difficult to be very enthusiastic about a person who's running as a democrat who doesn't want to run on a democratic platform thank you very much anne mchugh who is going to be a holdout from the rest of the massachusetts delegation at least now to garrick outlet tom i'm not sure what follows an example of party unity but at least is an example of the understanding which has existed in many parts of the convention floor in the last hour or so here in the oregon delegation and a few other delegations around here for example many of the kennedy delegates volunteered to give up their seats on the floor to go up to the alternate section behind and allow some carter alternates to come down here during the carter demonstration so they can march around and cheer and clap on the convention floor one of the oregon delegates the carter delegates said it was just for example this ability here the guarded people the ultimate should have the chance to come down and do it and they did and we noticed about oh half an hour ago that all of the kennedy whips the staff people the organization people left the floor they went out of here after texas put carter over the top and i saw jim flew one of the kennedy press people going by and i said will you come out here and talk about the evening he said no we're all going home this is jimmy carter's night we'll have nothing more to say now up to david thank you gary john i think we have seen a little piece of history here tonight we have not had time to check every detail of every convention going back to the 19th century i just went back to 1924. you did all right to the early 20th century in any case i do not believe and do not know of any convention in which so many votes were cast probably in the form of some sort of protest for a candidate who had withdrawn um i don't quite know what to make of

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um i don't quite know what to make of that well who would had withdrawn and not only that but who had been excluded from the possibility of victory two days ago on monday and our tabulation david you've got it there uh that how did carter do how did the president increase the number of even though all the kennedy delegates were now free to vote for him even though kennedy had withdrawn carter gained here on the convention floor only 145 votes all the others he won in the primaries he gained 145 which is not much in that situation we'll be back in a moment [Music] we haven't yet been able to show you the final total of the first ballot here it is carter 2129 kennedy 1146 a slight drop in kennedy support not much more for carter and now down to the floor and to our floor reporters first chris wallace i think the thing that strikes me at the end of this evening john is how quickly this party seems to be getting back together there was a lot of talk earlier in the evening about walkouts women concerned about era union members concerned about jobs saying that if the president didn't say the right things about those minority reports on the platform that they'd all leave well the president didn't say very much in his report but that you got the impression that all of the people in this party really want to get together there may be a few walkouts tomorrow but it seems to me at

the end of this evening that jimmy carter is going to preside over a very united party at the end of tomorrow night tom pellet seems to me chris this uh was jimmy carter's night far less electric than in this same hall four years ago when they blew the lid off the joint tonight there were bittersweet actions and memories for the kennedy supporters through the platform fight and indeed the enthusiasm

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platform fight and indeed the enthusiasm level seemed to me at least to be low sometimes not synthetic so the truth of the matter is that this is a party which faces a dilemma of trying to run on a single plank that is that ronald reagan is no good and i don't believe it can win an election solely on one plank tom pettit i'm a client agree with you i think it's a remarkable tribute what happened here tonight to the carter campaign organizational skills but it seems to me that this was a badly wrecked car that was brought in for an overhaul it's got a new paint job but we don't know how much this repair job will last the big blocks of the democrats the traditional institutions like labor the leaders and so on they're with the president but what about the rank and file will they stay with him that's a question i don't think was answered here tonight gary i agree with you tom there are two examples to send out in my mind of what happened tonight during the convention hall yes the chiefs wanted to agree and did agree the afl-cio lane with all their people said we're going to get behind carter now we can accept this statement and yet you went around and talked to some of the others i remember talking to a young black city councilman from baltimore maryland representing the district of 20 unemployment he voted for kennedy he said he was going home he couldn't work for carter that's what jimmy carter has to worry about david thank you very much gentlemen that's um that's the day at the convention carter renominated kennedy endorsing him kennedy nevertheless getting a great many votes even though he had withdrawn which has to be a source of embarrassment to the democrats nevertheless that is what happened tomorrow what happens is that mondale will be renominated as vice president he will accept president carter's acceptance speech will be tomorrow night we will have all of that the today program tomorrow morning and then our coverage begins tomorrow night with nightly news john and i will be here for it all thank you for being with us good night you

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